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In order that this Calendar be as complete as possible, secretaries of State or Regional Organizations should advise the General Secretary and the Editor of future meetings which should be included.

- Empire State Numismatic Association.** Annual convention. Onondaga Hotel, Syracuse, N. Y., September 18-20, 1959. E. A. Park, General Chairman, 1534 S. State St., Syracuse 5, N. Y.
- Penn-Ohio Coin Clubs.** Fall convention, Sept. 25-27, 1959. Pick-Ohio Hotel, Youngstown, Ohio. General Chairman, Harry Vanden Bosch, 2222 Oak Hill Ave., Youngstown, Ohio.
- Iowa Numismatic Association.** Annual convention, September 26-27, 1959. Hanford Hotel, Mason City, Iowa. F. L. Morris, 1112 Maple Dr., Mason City, Iowa.
- Colorado-Wyoming Numismatic Association.** Annual convention. Oct. 2-4, 1959. Plains Hotel, Cheyenne, Wyoming. Herman L. Boraker, Secy., P. O. Box 204, Rocky Ford, Colo.
- New England Numismatic Association.** Fifteenth annual conference and convention. October 3-4, 1959. Statler Hotel, Hartford, Conn. Clifford F. Howe, Permanent Secretary, 8 Nelson Pl., North Grafton, Mass.
- Oklahoma-Kansas Numismatic Association.** Convention, October 16-18, 1959. Biltmore Hotel, Oklahoma City, Okla. Secretary, Miss Joy L. Waseman, 2901 Elmwood, Oklahoma City, Okla.
- Middle Atlantic Numismatic Association.** Seventh annual convention. October 23-25, 1959. The Claridge Hotel, Atlantic City, N. J. Eldridge G. Jones, Secretary, Box 6266, Washington 15, D. C.
- California State Numismatic Association.** Twenty-fifth semiannual convention, Huntington-Sheraton Hotel, Pasadena, Calif., November 5-8, 1959. Stewart J. Bingham, General Chairman, 533 E. Longden, Arcadia, Calif.
- Missouri-Arkansas Numismatic Society.** Semiannual convention, November 7-8, 1959. Arkansas Hotel, Rogers, Ark. General Chairman, Charles S. Miller, 518 Garrison Ave., Fort Smith, Ark.
- Michigan State Numismatic Society.** Fall convention, November 20-22, 1959. Pantlind Hotel, Grand Rapids, Mich. General Chairman, Mrs. Garland C. Hughes, 21 Ottawa Ave., N. W., Grand Rapids, Mich.
- Florida United Numismatists.** Annual convention, January 14-17, 1960. Hotel Soreno, St. Petersburg, Fla. Convention Chairman, Harry O. Adams, 546 Thirty-fifth Ave., St. Petersburg 4, Fla.
- Numismatic Association of Southern California.** Fifth annual convention. February 18-20, 1960. Statler Hilton Hotel, Los Angeles, Calif. General Chairman, C. A. Dunbar, 937 S. La Brea Ave., Inglewood, Calif.
- Central States Numismatic Society.** Eighteenth annual convention, April 29-May 1, 1960. Sheraton-Cadillac Hotel, Detroit, Mich. Paul F. Schilling, General Chairman, 17304 Lahser Rd., Detroit 19, Mich.
- Metropolitan New York Numismatic Convention.** May 6-8, 1960. Park Sheraton Hotel, Seventh Ave. and Fifty-sixth St., New York City. (For added information, see next month's *Numismatist*.)
- Indiana State Numismatic Association.** Second annual convention, May 20-22, 1960. Van Orman Hotel, Fort Wayne, Ind. General Chairman, Kenneth L. Hallenback, Jr., 4028 Mound Pass, Fort Wayne, Ind.
- New England Numismatic Association.** Sixteenth annual conference and convention. October, 1960. Sheraton-Biltmore Hotel, Providence, R. I. Clifford F. Howe, Permanent Secretary, 8 Nelson Pl., North Grafton, Mass.
- Middle Atlantic Numismatic Association.** Eighth annual convention. October 21-23, 1960. Mayflower Hotel, Washington, D. C. Chairman, F. C. Schneider, 1353 Iris St., N. W., Washington, D. C.

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The amount of Ghana notes in circulation on April 30 was 19,414,601 Ghana pounds and of coins, 3,329,266 Ghana pounds. About 4,500,000 Ghana pounds of the old West African Board notes are outstanding with over 18,000,000 Ghana pounds withdrawn from circulation.



*A marshalling of evidence and a conclusion*

## The Invention of Coins

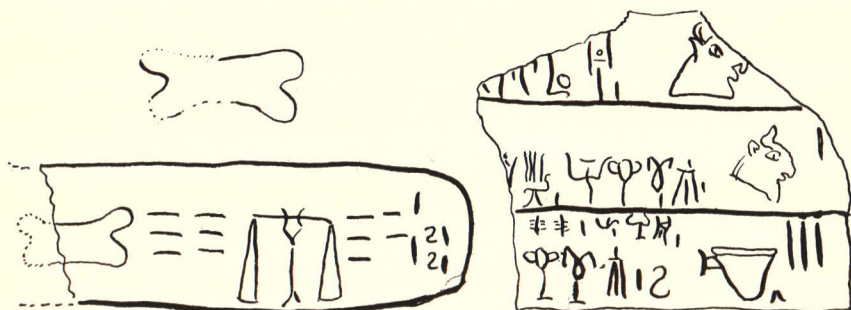
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### INTRODUCTION

IF ONE turns back the clock of time to antiquity when man secured his food and necessities himself, one finds that there was little need for coins or money.\* Later in man's development, the barter system was used. Labor was

trading became so involved that a more convenient exchange system was needed. Precious metals, such as gold and silver, met this demand because they not only bore a standard value but could also be used for ornaments. The metals were



Portions of clay tablets showing representations of oxen and ox hides.

traded because some men could hunt better and some men could make tools better. In bartering, certain articles were discovered which were desired by all men. These articles became the media of exchange.

At first, cattle, food, clothing, armor, shells, furs, salt, and other commodities were used. In time,

passed as crude lumps or were wrought into rings, bracelets, or armlets.

Next some person or institution made a piece of money which was of standard weight, fineness, and value, and was stamped accordingly. With this improvement the world had a coin instead of a piece of money.

\*Perhaps it should be stated here that there is a difference between money and a coin. A coin is a piece of material of a convenient size, shape, and material which usually has been stamped by some issuing authority guaranteeing its weight, fineness, and value. While coins are money, not all items called money are coins. Money may be anything which has a recognized value in trade, whereas a coin must fit the above description.

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## BACKGROUND

Before one can discover the first coin maker one must see how a coin developed. Norman Angell observed that a coin was not the first form of money.<sup>1</sup> Many items served as money long before coins were made. Shells seem to have been the most popular,<sup>2</sup> the cowry being the most sought after shell.<sup>3</sup> Early man reckoned the value of goods according to how many cowries it was worth. By this method, a standard value was given to the shells.

As the ability to work metals advanced, the use of metals as money crept into the trade system.<sup>4</sup> The coin, then, was a later product of the art of metal work.<sup>5</sup> The development was slow, and therefore

hard to trace. In fact, there may have been no "invention" of coinage. As Paul Einzig, a name familiar to numismatists, said, "... the development of the first coin was such a gradual process that it is by no means easy to be too categorical about the precise moment when rudimentary ingots or dumps of precious metal assumed the characteristics of a crude coin."<sup>6</sup>

As this paper attempts to ascertain those responsible for the invention of coins, the quotation above must be remembered. Also, there may have been more than one "invention" of coins. Acts which men may later think were inventions may actually have been only innovations.<sup>7</sup>

## FORERUNNERS OF COINS

One of the oldest standards of money was the ox. Markings on clay tablets of Babylon and Crete show drawings of ox hides which represented money.<sup>8</sup> The value of an ox is indicated by Homer in the *Iliad*.<sup>9</sup> He listed the awards for a sporting event as an ox for second prize and a half talent of gold as third prize. As the third award was usually half the value of the second, an ox was probably worth a full talent of gold. That the ox was the standard unit is shown throughout

Homer's writings. The payment made to Lemnian, for instance, though paid in bronze, iron, cattle, and hides, was expressed in a given number of oxen when the overall price was discussed.<sup>10</sup>

The reckonings of Delos were in oxen.<sup>11</sup> The Draconian law levied fines in oxen,<sup>12</sup> and Solon used oxen as a guide for fines, but he allowed payments to be made in other forms of money.<sup>13</sup>

Not all historians, however, believe the ox was a unit of value.

1. Norman Angell, *The Story of Money* (New York: Frederick A. Stokes Co., 1929), p. 84.

2. William Ridgeway, *The Origin of Metallic Currency and Weight Standards* (Cambridge, England: At the University Press, 1892), p. 48.

3. *Ibid.*, p. 152.

4. Arthur Robert Burns, *Money and Monetary Policy in Early Times* (New York: Alfred A. Knopf, 1927), p. 37.

5. J. William Decker, "A Brief Survey of Media of Exchange," *The Numismatist*, LXIV (November, 1951), pp. 1180-1182.

6. Paul Einzig, *Primitive Money in Its Ethnological, Historical, and Economic Aspects* (London: Eyre and Spottiswoode, 1949), pp. 217-218.

7. Phares O. Sigler, "Did the Lydians Invent Coinage?" *The Numismatist*, LXIII (March, 1950), p. 130. Also trace the development in George G. Hill, *Historical Greek Coins* (New York: The Macmillan Co., 1906).

8. See Gustave Glotz, *The Aegean Civilization* (New York: Alfred A. Knopf, 1925), p. 195, Burns, *op. cit.*, p. 16, and Charles Seltman, *Greek Coins, A History of Metallic Currency and Coinage Down to the Fall of the Hellenistic Kingdoms* (London: Methuen and Co., Ltd., 1955), p. 10.

9. Richard Lattimore (trans.), *Homer: The Iliad* (Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1951), p. 470.

10. Lattimore, *op. cit.*, pp. 180-181.

11. Percy Gardner, "Pollux' Account of Ancient Coins," *The Numismatic Chronicle and Journal of the Royal Numismatic Society*, XV (1915), pp. 1-52, 361-429.

12. Burns, *op. cit.*, p. 17.

13. *Ibid.*

Tuebingen, the German historian, claimed that the value of an ox was too high to have been used as a general commodity.<sup>14</sup> This concept might have been correct at the time of Homer when the ox was worth a talent of gold, but the low value of five drachmas for an ox at the time of Solon would lend itself well to daily transactions.<sup>15</sup>

How could Egypt have reached her glory without coins? It is gen-

There are, nevertheless, indications that Egypt had some type of money. A wall painting picturing a man weighing out rings against weights shaped like cattle has survived. There are references that indicate Sennacherib was "casting half shekel pieces"<sup>17</sup> in 700 B. C. As the word used was "casting" rather than "striking" argument is left open that the pieces were ingots and not true coins.



**Egyptian wall painting showing man weighing ring money against a weight shaped like an ox. Note the weight shaped like a lamb in the basket.**

erally believed<sup>16</sup> that certain media of exchange such as bronze utensils, rings, and other items served as money.

When the Pharaohs were at their height there was no need for money because of the extreme gap between the two-class society. By the time the Egyptians returned to a system of commerce, coins were in common use.

A recent investigation into the economics of Egypt has shown that the rings were of two standard values. Professor Baron Friedrich von Bissing, the Egyptologist, discovered that as early as 1700 B. C. the rings, called shets, had a regulated value. A day's labor, according to his findings, was worth two shets. There was a definite ratio between the three metals used for

14. *Ibid.*, pp. 6-8.

15. *Ibid.*, p. 17.

16. James W. Curtis, "Media of Exchange in Ancient Egypt," *The Numismatist*, LXIV (May, 1951), pp. 482-491.

17. Albert Ten Eyck Olmstead, *History of Assyria* (New York: C. Scribner's Sons, 1923), p. 537.



the rings, which were of gold, silver, and lead.<sup>18</sup>

The Syrians also used ring money which was quite close to being coinage as it had a standard value, although no official stamp. Cuneiform tablets suggest that pieces of precious metal were used in transactions in the Assyrian Empire. These lumps of metal are often called weights, but as they were cast in the image of Ishtar, the goddess of love, and made in her temple, they may have been very early forms of money.<sup>19</sup>

The belief that the first mints were in temples is reinforced by this early money. This idea is further strengthened by the many finds of silver pellets and bars in the foundations of various temples throughout the ancient Greek world. Many hoards are uncovered in places which date the metal as having been cached about 2000 B. C. These pellets bear the impression of some god or goddess.<sup>20</sup> While the temple seal, i.e., the god's head, is on the pieces to insure the fineness, the pieces are not of standard weight and are not, therefore, coins.

Documentary evidence shows that between 2250 and 2150 B. C. ingots circulated in Cappadocia and had the seal of the state impressed upon

them. These documents refer to contemporary payments "In money of my seal."<sup>21</sup> There is no evidence that the ingots were of regular size but the remark about the state seal shows that they did have some guarantee.

The Cretans of four thousand years ago came about as close as any of the ancients to the making of a coin. At Cnossos, pieces were cast in silver and were marked with an "H" or a half an "H." Proof that the pieces had a regulated value is shown in that the pieces with half an "H" on them weigh out to just half of the weight of those with a complete "H."<sup>22</sup> If more information could be obtained about the Minoan civilization, the date of coinage invention might be pushed back a thousand years.

Of course, one must not forget the constant reference to money in the Old Testament. The shekel of Abraham, such as those paid to Ephron, was called a kesitah, which meant lamb. The pieces were stamped to show they had the value of so many lambs.<sup>23</sup> There were, it seems, no standards of weight for pieces of metal at that time (about 1500 B. C.). Each transaction required the weighing of the material to be traded.

## WEIGHT SYSTEM OF THE ANCIENTS

Precious metals were valuable to ancient men, therefore, a system of weights and measures was important. The problem which confronts modern man is to determine what ratio, system, and type of weights were used by the different city-

states. The ratio between gold and silver, for instance, varied from one to thirteen and one-third,<sup>24</sup> in the Asian area of the fifth century B. C., to one to ten in the Greek area under the Macedonians.<sup>25</sup>

There were three general stand-

18. "Scientists Say Egypt Used Coins 3,600 Years Ago," *The Numismatist*, XLII (November, 1929), p. 765.

19. Olmstead, *loc. cit.*, Ernest Alfred Thompson Budge and L. W. King, *Annals of the Kings of Assyria, the Cuneiform Texts With Translations* (London: The Trustees of the British Museum, 1907), and *A Guide to the Babylonian and Assyrian Antiquities* (London: The Trustees of the British Museum, 1922).

20. Olmstead, *loc. cit.*

21. Einzig, *op. cit.*, p. 218, and Burns, *op. cit.*, p. 38.

22. Glotz, *op. cit.*, p. 196.

23. Montroville Wilson Dickeson, *The American Numismatic Manual of the Currency or Money of the Aborigines, and Colonial, State and United States Coins* (Philadelphia: J. B. Lippincott and Co., 1860), p. 12. One can see by reading the various books in this section just how hard it is to separate the moneys from coins.

24. Theodor Mommsen, *The History of Rome* (New York: Charles Scribner's Sons, 1898), says it was really three to 43.

25. Gardner, *A History of Ancient Coinage, 700-300 B. C.* (Oxford: At the Clarendon Press, 1918), pp. 32-36.



ards in the Greek world, one for gold and two for silver. The gold unit was 130 grains, or one-sixteenth of a Babylonian mina. The silver units were either a unit of 130 grains, the same as the gold, and thus having a one to thirteen ratio, or a basis of 169 grains. This latter system gave a ratio of one to ten.<sup>26</sup> According to Herodotus, III, 23, the ratio varied even more than these figures. He claimed that among the Ethiopian tribesmen gold was so plentiful and copper so scarce that

prisoners were bound in fetters of gold.<sup>27</sup>

The talent was the weight which seems to have been about equal almost anywhere in the ancient world. Though it varied from place to place and time to time, each area had its own weight called a talent. There are varying theories as to how the weight originated, one being that it was the amount of bronze which one man could carry with ease.<sup>28</sup> Another is that it was the weight of a Greek cubic foot of water.



Cnossus silver pieces marked with "H" and half "H."

## HISTORICAL EVIDENCE OF THE INVENTION OF COINAGE

Some of the oldest authorities who attempted to solve the riddle of who invented coins were Xenophanes, Aglaosthenes, Ephorus, Plutarch, Pollux, and Herodotus. The latter two have recorded the remarks of the others. Modern numismatists are indebted to these two men for such minute evidence as is still in existence.

Pollux, rather than giving his own opinion, recounts what the earlier writers had to say about the invention of coins,<sup>30</sup> explaining that

Ephorus credited Pheidon of Argos as being the first to strike coins. Since the metal was silver,<sup>31</sup> according to Strabo (VIII, 376,<sup>32</sup>), and according to historians, Pheidon lived sometime between 850 and 748 B. C.<sup>33</sup> These coins would, therefore, have been Aegean. Thus one is presented with evidence which does not seem correct. It is doubtful that Pheidon would have struck coins at Aegina<sup>34</sup> instead of at Argos where he resided. Yet, the coins of Aegina seem to be the only

26. Gardner, *The Types of Greek Coins, an Archaeological Essay* (Cambridge: At the University Press, 1883), p. 3.

27. Herodotus, *Herodotus*, trans. Henry Cary (New York: Harpers and Brothers, Publishers, 1892), p. 180.

28. Gardner, *History of Ancient Coinage*, p. 23.

29. *Ibid.*, p. 24. For more detailed discussions, see August Boeckh, *Metrologische untersuchungen über gewichte, münzfüsse und masse des alterthums in ihrem zusammenhange* (Berlin: Veit und Co., 1838), Percy Gardner, "Pollux," Gardner, *History of Ancient Coinage*, pp. 24-31, Hultsch, *op. cit.*, Mommsen, *op. cit.*, Glotz, *op. cit.*, pp. 194-196, and Herodotus, *op. cit.*, p. 210.

30. The best translation of Pollux into English is in Gardner, "Pollux." Gardner, with his historical and numismatic background, was probably more capable than anyone else to make a translation from the original Greek of those passages which pertain to coins.

31. Strabo, *The Geography of Strabo*, trans. H. C. Hamilton and W. Falconer (London: George Bell and Sons, 1893), II, p. 58.

32. Burns, *op. cit.*, p. 39.

33. Samuel R. Milbank, *The Coinage of Aegina* (New York: The American Numismatic Society, 1924), p. 4.

34. Ridgeway, *op. cit.*, p. 213.

ones which could have been his. Pheidon is also given credit for the invention of coins in a Persian marble which states that he struck coins first.<sup>35</sup> One explanation of this claim may be gleaned from the writings of Herodotus. In Herodotus, VI, 127,<sup>36</sup> one reads that Pheidon was credited with giving the Peloponnesians a measuring system, which might somehow have been applied to the silver and gold ratio and caused Ephorus and Strabo to think that Pheidon started the coins as well. At any rate, coins of an early period which can be attributed to Pheidon have never been found.

Cymaean Demodice, wife of the Phrygian Midas, is also mentioned by Pollux as a contender for the title of the first to strike coins. This claim is shallow because no early Phrygian coins have been found.<sup>37</sup>

Athens, too, was recorded by Pollux as possibly the first city to have coins. This claim was made by Plutarch who stated that silver money bearing the head of an ox was made by Theseus.<sup>38</sup> The drawback to this theory is that Theseus is such a shadowy figure in history that historians sometimes wonder if he actually lived. Here again, no coins have ever been found which could be assigned to him. All coins traceable to Athens are of a weight standard after the weight reductions of the sixth century B. C.<sup>39</sup>

Erichthonius and Lycus are also among those listed by Pollux as ones who may have originated

coins. Enough is not known about them to allow proper study.

Pollux quotes Aglaosthenes as believing that the Naxos invented coins. The fact that Naxian coins were copied after the type and weight of Aegean coins would seem to discredit this claim.<sup>40</sup>

One may wonder why the Greeks, who gave the world so many things, are not given full credit for first making coins. During the Homeric period commerce was very scarce, as the state of society did not require it. Noblemen produced all their own needs and did not require coins. The rough terrain hindered trade and Mediterranean storms forced Greek ships to hug the shore. It was not until the already poor soil was depleted that the Greeks turned to commerce in a large way.<sup>41</sup>

Of the Greek city-states, Ionia, Chios, and Aegina are often mentioned as the originators of coins. Ionia has her claim because of a coin which was found that contains the inscription, "I am the sign of Phanes." While this coin is generally considered the first inscribed coin, its very fabric shows that it must have been made by an ancestor of the famous Phanes, and not during the lifetime of the Ionian.<sup>42</sup> Chios, whose coins are of the early style, did not begin coinage until 625 B. C. and is therefore eliminated.<sup>43</sup>

Aegina certainly is a lively contender for the award of being the first to strike coins. As Hill pointed out,<sup>44</sup> the Aegean turtle staters

35. Angell, *op. cit.*, p. 83.

36. Herodotus, *op. cit.*, p. 401.

37. Gardner, *Types of Greek Coins*, p. 1.

38. Burns, *op. cit.*, p. 39. It must be remembered that the ancient historians had as much trouble determining what statements were true and what were not as the modern historian has.

39. Gardner, "Pollux," p. 299, and Gardner, *Types of Greek Coins*, *loc. cit.*

40. Gardner, *Types of Greek Coins*, *loc. cit.*, Gardner, "Pollux," *loc. cit.*, and Seltman, *op. cit.*, pp. 14-15.

41. Gardner, *History of Ancient Coinage*, *op. cit.*, p. 1. Also read Barclay v. Head, *Catalog of Greek Coins, Attica-Megaric-Aegina*, ed. Reginald Stuart Poole (London: The Trustees of the British Museum, 1888).

42. Head, *A Guide to the Principal Gold and Silver Coins of the Ancients from Circ. B. C. 700 to A. D. 1* (London: The Trustees of the British Museum, 1889), Head, *Catalog of Greek Coins of Ionia*, ed. Reginald Stuart Poole (London: The Trustees of the British Museum, 1892).

43. J. Mavrogordato, "A Chronological Arrangement of the Coins of Chios," *The Numismatic Chronicle and Journal of the Royal Numismatic Society*, XV (1915), p. 17.

44. J. B. Bury, S. A. Cook, and F. E. Adcock (eds.), *The Cambridge Ancient History* (Cambridge, England: At the University Press, 1930), IV, p. 127.



have the most primitive appearance of all the ancient coins. In fact, this archaic style would show that Aegina began her coinage not later than 650 B. C.<sup>45</sup> Aegina may hold the honor of being the first to mint silver coins rather than electrum.<sup>46</sup> Aegina's key position between the East and the West supplied a stopping place for ships and would certainly have kept her informed on new things in the commercial field.

In spite of the arguments, there are those who maintain that the Greeks did originate coinage.<sup>47</sup> The adherents to this belief say that the Greeks were not the first to use metal for a medium of exchange but that they were the first to stamp their pieces with distinctive marks guaranteeing weight and purity.

Those who follow this theory trace the exodus from Greece proper to the Asian coast to escape the Dorian invasion and to find better land. These farmers became the middlemen in the trade world, but they remained Greeks. Therefore, they argue, invention of coins, even if it took place on the Asia Minor coast, should be attributed to the Greeks.

There are two main fallacies to this claim. In the first place, loyalty in those days was to one's city. As there was no real country of Greece, the emigrants would not have remained Greeks. The other argument is that the first coins known are of a weight unit of three, that is one-third, one-sixth, one-twelfth, one twenty-fourth and on down to one ninety-sixth. They do not conform to the Greek system of that time, which was in a unit system of two. Had the first coins been of Greek origin they would have been in units of one-half, one-fourth, one-eighth, one-sixteenth and so on.

45. Milbank, *op. cit.*, p. 6.

46. *Ibid.*, p. 7.

47. J. Rankine-Brown, "Beginnings of Coinage," *The Numismatist*, XLVI (September, 1933), pp. 545-547.

48. Herodotus, *op. cit.*, p. 43.

49. Laurence Lee Howe, "Herodotus and the Origin of Coinage," *The Numismatist*, LXIII (May, 1950), p. 255. O. H. Dodson, "Herodotus, Grandfather of Numismatics," *The Numismatist*, LXVIII (December, 1955), pp. 1309-1314, and Gardner, *History of Ancient Coinage*, p. 68.

50. Gardner, *loc. cit.*

51. Review Howe, *loc. cit.*

Now for the word of Xenophanes of Colophon. This writer credits coinage to Lydia and probably to the reign of Gyges, 687-652 B. C. As Xenophanes was a contemporary of Darius and wrote in the sixth century B. C., he was the first known person to record who invented coins. Lydia, therefore, must receive considerable attention. To the evidence left by Xenophanes must be added the words of Herodotus, who wrote a century later. Herodotus, I, 94,<sup>48</sup> said, "... they [the Lydians] were the first men whom we [the Greeks] know to have struck and used gold and silver coins."<sup>49</sup>

It is unfortunate that this near contemporary account should be so ambiguous. In the first place, Herodotus does not actually say that the Lydians invented coins. He does not even say that they were the first ones the Greeks knew who minted coins. The words "gold and silver" may have meant that the Lydians were the first to have a bimetallic system. If this is what Herodotus meant, then he was referring to the coins of Croesus minted from 521 to 486 B. C., which certainly would not have been the first coins ever made. Many historians believe that it was this bimetallic coinage to which Herodotus was referring.<sup>50</sup> As the first coins minted by Lydia were of electrum, a bimetallic coin would not have been one of her earliest coins.

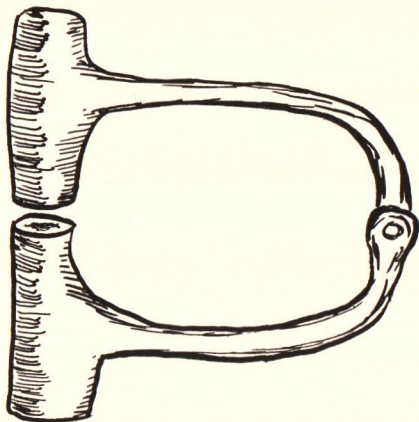
Again, Herodotus said that the Lydians were the first to "strike" coins. Did he mean that earlier coins were known, but that they had been cast pieces?<sup>51</sup> Some think that the early coins of Aegina were cast on one side and hit with a punch on the other. Could Herodotus have been distinguishing the Lydian coins from earlier coins which had been cast by the Aegeans?



Thus, Herodotus said nothing which could do more than allow one to "believe" that Lydia invented coins. One must not condemn him, however, for what modern historian ever describes the current coins? And when they do, the information is usually wrong.

One may compare Herodotus's statement about coins with his statement about dice. He wrote that the Lydians "claimed" they had in-

The Lydians developed a bean-shaped coin of electrum which they found in the Tmolus and Sipylus mountains of their area in Asia Minor<sup>54</sup> and in the beds of the Pactolus river.<sup>55</sup> Electrum proved to be the ideal combination of metal because with the ratio of thirteen to one for gold and silver, electrum would have three-fourths the value and provide a handy ratio of ten to one for electrum and silver. Elec-



**Hinged dies gave better control in the minting process.**

vented dice. Herodotus did not claim that they were the first ones to use dice, but that they themselves asserted that they were the first to have dice. He, nor anyone else in the west, knew that the Chinese had had the game long before.<sup>52</sup>

Of all ancient countries, Lydia seems a natural for the title of the first country to produce a standard coinage. As the "Phoenicians of the Land" they needed a medium of exchange which could be easily transported, stored in a small space, and possessed of a continuous demand.<sup>53</sup>

trum stood less chance of being melted down because the silver content made it hard to work.<sup>56</sup> Even better, this very hardness made electrum wear longer in circulation.

Because of the abundance of electrum in Lydia,<sup>57</sup> ancient man probably automatically thought of Lydia when he saw the electrum used anywhere. As all china is not from China, so maybe the early coins of electrum were only thought to have been from Lydia, the home of electrum.

That early electrum coinage was very crude is a known fact. Most of the Lydian electrum coins which

52. *Ibid.* It is ironical that the nation which is supposed to have invented coins is credited with the invention of dice as well.

53. Walter Wybergle How and J. Wells, *A Commentary on Herodotus, with Introduction and Appendixes* (Oxford: At the Clarendon Press, 1912), I, p. 102.

54. Barclay V. Head, *Historia Numorum, a Manual of Greek Numismatics* (Oxford: At the Clarendon Press, 1911), p. 643.

55. Gardner, *Types of Greek Coins*, p. 2.

56. *Ibid.*, p. 4.

57. *Ibid.*, p. 5.

are claimed to be the first are not really the first ones. Their type is far advanced from the original.<sup>58</sup>

What are some of the facts which one must study if one is to determine at what date the first Lydian coin was made? On some one-third and one-sixth Lydian staters are traces of letters which give modern man a clue. An inscription, seen by some to refer to King Alyattes who ruled from 610 to 561 B. C.,<sup>59</sup> indicates that the first coin was before 610 because of its style. As this is not the first coin, the researcher must dig deeper.

The date may be pushed back further when we consider that Gyges seized not only the crown but also the prerogative of striking coins as well.<sup>60</sup> As Gyges ruled in the seventh century, the coins must have been made before that time.

Exploration of the foundation of the earliest temple of Artemis at Ephesus in 1904 and 1905<sup>61</sup> brought to light examples of electrum coins of Lydia which were well developed when deposited at the end of the eighth century.<sup>62</sup> This find would seem to indicate that to have been so far advanced, coinage must have started in the eighth century.

There are, however, those who still maintain, and present some facts to show, that coinage did not start until the third quarter of the seventh century. Dr. Robinson aired this view last year.<sup>63</sup>

The question of just exactly who minted the first coin is still un-

answered. Whether state, individual, or temple is not known. The few pieces found which have a ruler's name on them, plus the record of Gyges and his coins, would lead one to believe that the state actually struck the first coins. Yet, coins were a need of society more than politics.<sup>64</sup> Some historians point out that the ox and sheep gradually gave way to silver, gold, and electrum as circulating media through custom and not by government action.<sup>65</sup> Babelon discredits claims that a government started coinage and traces the need for it to bankers of Ionia and Lydia.<sup>66</sup>

If one recalls how powerful the temples were in the eighth and seventh centuries B. C., he must give weight to the theory that coins were first made in the temples dedicated to the Greek gods.<sup>67</sup> The coins used in the Asian area of the Greek world contain too many different devices, say those who believe that the temples started coins, to have been produced at one mint. The cock, chimæra, fox, lion, goat, bull, horse, and other animals are used as symbols.<sup>68</sup> The fact that there are so many types might indicate that they were struck in the temples. One hoard discovered in the foundation of the temple of Artemis in Ephesus contained ten different types of electrum coins.<sup>69</sup> Thus, no matter how hard one tries to discredit the Lydian claim, one must constantly be giving Lydia more and more credit for being first.

58. Rankine-Brown, *op. cit.*, p. 546, also review Head, *Catalog of Greek Coins of Lydia*, ed. Reginald Stuart (London: The Trustees of the British Museum, 1901).

59. Gardner, *History of Ancient Coinage*, p. 69.

60. Herodotus, *op. cit.*, pp. 6-14, and Angell, *op. cit.*, p. 83.

61. David George Hogarth, *The Archaic Artemisia* (London: The Trustees of the British Museum, 1908).

62. Bury, *op. cit.*, IV, p. 125.

63. E. S. G. Robinson, "The Date of the Earliest Coins," *The Numismatic Chronicle and Journal of the Royal Numismatic Society*, LVI (1956), pp. 1-15.

64. T. Louis Comparette, "Society, Not State, Introduced Coinage," *The Numismatist*, XXIII (February, 1910), p. 44.

65. *Ibid.*, p. 45.

66. William Campbell, *Greek and Roman Plated Coins* (New York: The American Numismatic Society, 1933), pp. 93-134.

67. Gardner, *History of Ancient Coinage*, p. 71.

68. Seltman, *op. cit.*

69. Hogarth, *op. cit.*



## METHOD OF MANUFACTURE

There are two general methods of manufacturing coins. One is to cast them by pouring molten metal into molds. The other is to strike the metal into a recognizable coin by pressure. It is generally considered that the Greeks made their coins through pressure.<sup>70</sup> There are, as said before, indications that the Aegeans may have cast their coins,<sup>71</sup> but this is an exception.

Striking coins was quite simple. Weighed lumps of metal, heated to a cherry red temperature, were placed with tongs in a depression on an anvil which contained the die for the obverse of the coin. A punch, impressed with the reverse design, was held by one workman and hit by another with a ham-

mer.<sup>72</sup> There are variations and improvements on the above method, but it is the one which was used at the start. Hinged dies were soon introduced so that more control could be maintained over the position of the planchet and more even pressure could be exerted.<sup>73</sup>

Ancient counterfeits were made of silver which was either mixed with base metals or the coins were made of copper which was first given a silver wash of 72% silver and 28% copper, a mixture much like modern silver solder, and then coated with silver. The resulting coin to all appearances was a pure silver coin. Coins have been found in which the copper core had corroded and left only a thin silver shell.<sup>74</sup>

## CHINA AND ROME

This paper should not be closed without giving China and Rome some attention. The Chinese independently went through the same stages from barter to coins as did the West. According to Shu Ching, furs, cattle, cloth, silk, tortoise shell, pearls, jade, metals, grain, and salt were once used as money in China.<sup>75</sup> The *Shih Chi*, written by the famous Chinese historian, Ssu Ma Ch'ien, says that the media of exchange of Yu, under the rule of Emperor Shun, about 2255 B. C., was three metals, yellow, white, and red.<sup>76</sup> These colors undoubtedly referred to gold, silver, and copper. It is also recorded that the Chinese used one inch cubes of gold as

money in the twenty-second century B. C.<sup>77</sup> Several writers say that actual coins can be attributed to T'ai Huo who ruled China about 2753 B. C.<sup>78</sup> As all these writers may have obtained their information from the same source, this assumption is not generally accepted.

More critical writers such as the author of *Ku Ch'uan Hui* and the *Chi Shin So Chien Lu* have abandoned the cries of older writers and believe that a realistic date for the first Chinese coin would be 770 B. C. This coin was called a "pu" and was a representation of a spade, a chisel, or a plane. This shape was used to indicate its purchasing power and thus its value.<sup>79</sup>

70. Henry George Liddell (comp.), *A Greek-English Lexicon* (New York: Harper and Brothers, 1888), p. 849.

71. Theodor Hentgen, "The Origin of Coins and Medals," *The Numismatist*, LII (April, 1939), pp. 285-286.

72. Milbank, *op. cit.*, pp. 12-13.

73. For more information see Rankine-Brown, "Coins and How They Are Made," *The Numismatist*, LV (July, 1942), pp. 523-525, Paul Pennington, "Roman Coins Illustrating Mint Techniques and Practices," *The Numismatist*, LX (January, 1947), pp. 1-6, "The Making of Dies, Coins, and Medals," *The Numismatist*, XXIX (November, 1916), pp. 505-507, and Gardner, *Types of Greek Coins*, pp. 17-21.

74. Campbell, *loc. cit.*, and John F. Lhotka, Jr., "Falsification of Ancient Coins," *The Numismatist*, LXXI (February, 1958), pp. 131-140.

75. James Haldane Stewart Lockhart, *The Stewart Lockhart Collection of Chinese Copper Coins* (Shanghai: Kelly and Walsh, Ltd., 1915), pp. iv-xv.

76. *Ibid.*

77. Ridgeway, *op. cit.*, p. 22.

78. Lockhart, *loc. cit.*

79. Lockhart, *loc. cit.*, and "The Earliest Chinese Money," *The Numismatist*, III (September, 1891), p. 76.



The Emperor Ch'eng Wang who ruled from about 1125 to 1079 B. C. is believed to have issued a piece of money in 1122 which was round.<sup>80</sup> These round coins were used from the time of their origin, whenever that was, to 255 B. C. without change. Though they were round, they were not true coins but were still in the money classification. It must be admitted that these coins had a recognized value even though they had no seal of an issuing authority. As more is learned about the coins of China, it may be established that they were first.

Besides the pu money,<sup>81</sup> knife money<sup>82</sup> and bridge money<sup>83</sup> were cast by the Chinese. Ring money was also used, according to Shu Ching, as early as 940 B. C.<sup>84</sup> "Huan" as the rings were called, were accepted as freely as pu, knife, and other money shaped like implements.<sup>85</sup> Ant nose money, sometimes referred to as devil's head coins, was made in the sixth century B. C. and strongly resembled the electrum of the West.<sup>86</sup>

The Romans also went through an independent development. Though the word "money" comes from Rome, or more exactly the Roman shrine of Juno Moneta which was the first Latin mint,<sup>87</sup> Rome did not claim to have invented coins.

Pliny, in his *Natural History*, explained that the earliest form of money on the peninsula was a representation of cattle.<sup>88</sup> Using Timaeus as his support, Pliny wrote that the Romans had no coins until the time of Servius Tullius, sixth legendary King of Rome, 578-534 B. C.<sup>89</sup> At first, lumps of bronze, called aes rude, were used. Later, the pieces were cast into the shape of a bull.<sup>90</sup> The first time the bronze pieces took on the appearance of coins was when they were cast into aes graves. As Greek commerce crept up the Italian peninsula, the Romans were forced to forego their heavy bronze coinage and adopt the silver coins used by other nations in the Mediterranean area.

## CONCLUSION

The conclusion to a paper on this subject can only be that no conclusion can be reached. One can review how ancient man made money in different shapes, but one cannot observe who actually made the first coin.

The researcher can only try to determine from the evidence left who made the first piece of money

recognized as a coin. This piece had to be accepted by its users at a standard value, have a guarantee of value on it, be issued by some authority which would redeem it, and maintain a constant weight and fineness. As it stands now, evidence points to Lydia as meeting these requirements. Thus, Herodotus seems to be correct again.

80. Arthur Braddan Coole, *Coins of China's History* (Tientsin, China: Student Works Department of the Tientsin Kui Wen Academy, 1937), p. 32.

81. Lockhart, *op. cit.*, p. vi, H. F. Bowker, "A Footnote to Wang's 'Early Chinese Coinage,'" *The Numismatist*, LXVI (June, 1953), pp. 573-577, and Wang Yu-ch'uan, "Early Chinese Coinage," *American Numismatic Society Museum Notes* (1948), pp. 133-140, for more information about pu money.

82. More about knife money in Lockhart, *op. cit.*, pp. 10-31.

83. Coole, *op. cit.*, p. 31.

84. *Ibid.*, p. 3.

85. H. F. Bowker, "A Han Dynasty Coin Mold," *The Numismatist*, LXV (March, 1952), pp. 239-241.

86. Coole, *op. cit.*, p. 31.

87. Seth William Stevenson, *A Dictionary of Roman Coins, Republican and Imperial* (London: George Bell and Sons, 1889), p. 560.

88. George Francis Hill, *Historical Roman Coins from the Earliest Times to the Reign of Augustus* (London: Constable and Co., Ltd., 1909), p. 2.

89. Adam Smith, *An Inquiry Into the Nature and Causes of the Wealth of Nation*, ed. C. J. Bullock (New York: P. F. Collier and Sons, 1909), p. 31.

90. Harold Mattingly, *Roman Coins from the Earliest Times to the Fall of the Western Empire* (New York: The Dial Press, 1928), p. xvii.

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## Book Review

**"The Story of American Bank Note Company," by William H. Griffiths, with a foreword by W. Frederic Colclough, chairman and president, American Bank Note Company, New York, 1959, 92 pp., 16 pages of steel engravings and a two-page map.**

It is hard to imagine a book which was not written for the collector containing so much information that a group within numismatics has longed to have. Here we have a corporate history, on the centenary of a distinguished firm, a company whose work has been the theme of more than one collector's specialization and would permit a lifetime of pleasurable study and research.

American Bank Note Company, with head office and plant in New York, branches in Boston and Chicago, and subsidiaries in Canada (Canadian Bank Note Company, Limited) and England (Bradbury-Wilkinson & Co., Ltd.), has established enviable records in every phase of security printing, and both philatelist and numismatist will find

a wealth of data and background information in the pages of this remarkable book. While the firm's primary work in the paper money field is best known to collectors on this continent for the later broken bank issues of the United States and Canada, certain early federal issues, and diverse series of the Mexican revolutionary period, it will come as no surprise to the student of world currency to learn that the "American Bank Note" imprint, and that of affiliates, have appeared on the paper money of 114 nations, graphically recorded in the history on a two-page world map.

It is fitting that a considerable portion of the book should be devoted to the early history of the company, for its beginnings can be



traced to 1795, and the published chart "Historical Evolution of American Bank Note Company" itself is a numismatic document of considerable import. The seven pioneer firms which merged in 1858 to form American Bank Note were recognized leaders in their field, and the manner in which the new company built upon their skills, evolved new techniques and grew to dominate a world market is fascinating business history, but doubly significant to those who have studied the effects of these new techniques on the fine products of its presses.

The text is the work of a well known author and reporter on corporate life, and offers exceptional insight into the highly specialized nature of the company's craft. The highlight of the book is an admirable selection of no less than 120 impressions from choice steel engravings, gleaned from a century of the firm's finest work: portraits of U.S. Presidents, prominent people,

maritime and railroading scenes, animals and birds, allegorical vignettes for commerce and industry. The student of contemporary paper currency will recognize the Aztec calendar stone of Mexico's peso, the portraits of Sun Yat-sen and Chiang Kai-shek of Chinese Republic yuan issues, and Sir John A. MacDonald and Sir Wilfrid Laurier, from the Bank of Canada's highest denominations.

It is only within the lifetime of most of us that the bank note has come to dominate the monetary scene. Collectors have been slow in affording it the recognition it deserves. The collecting fraternity would not yet have been ready to support a book of the caliber of this remarkable volume. It is indeed fortunate that this centenary, which passed virtually unnoticed in numismatic ranks, has been marked in a way that no student of monetary paper is likely to forget. —

HAROLD DON ALLEN

## Soil Conservation Society Issues Medal

At Rapid City, S. D., on August 26 the registrants at the fourteenth annual meeting of the Soil Conservation Society of America received a medal struck in honor of Hugh Hammond Bennett. Dr. Bennett, 77, lives in retirement at Falls Church, Va.

Dr. Bennett is generally credited with being "Father of Soil Conservation." In 1903 he joined the old Bureau of Soils in Washington, D.C. He worked diligently to point out the unnecessary soil washing that took place until 1929, when Congress made the first appropriation of \$160,000 to investigate erosion. Later he became head of the Soil Conservation Service and served until 1951.

Today the nation has a soil conservation program that reaches into every county. More than 2700 soil conservation districts have been formed under the leadership of state governments. A watershed program has been initiated. All of

this was the original concept of Bennett.



The Soil Conservation Society of America was founded by Bennett

in 1945 and today has 10,000 members in all states and seventy-two other countries. It is a non-profit organization dedicated to advance the science and art of good land use.

The commemorative medal, in goldine lacquered finish, is one and three-eighths inches in diameter. The obverse bears the name and portrait of Hugh Hammond Bennett with the legend **COMMEMORATING SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION 1929-1959**. The reverse

carries the official insignia of the Soil Conservation Society of America.

The medal was produced to order by R. G. Fister, 6733 W. Twenty-sixth St., Berwyn, Ill. and struck by Meyer and Wenthe, Chicago, Ill. Twelve hundred pieces were made. Orders should be sent to H. Wayne Pritchard, Executive Secretary, The Soil Conservation Society of America, 838 Fifth Ave., Des Moines 14, Iowa.

## Pendleton Strikes Oregon Centennial Medal

The celebration of the admission of Oregon to the Union, a hundred years ago, began June 10 and will last for a hundred days ending September 17. A centennial piece, dollar size, has been struck for the occasion by the Umatilla County Numismatic and Philatelic Association, Inc., Pendleton, Ore.

The obverse depicts the Pendleton Round-Up Bucking Horse, copyrighted by the association as its trademark. The original drawing was made in 1924 by the late Wallace Smith, noted artist and writer. Encircling



the Round-Up horse is **PENDLETON ROUND-UP, PENDLETON, OREGON, SECOND WEEK IN SEPTEMBER**.

The reverse depicts a replica of the Oregon centennial postage stamp. The central subject is an unhorsed covered wagon, typical of those used over the Oregon Trail by early settlers; majestic Mt. Hood is to the right. The terrain slopes to the left, or West meeting the Pacific Ocean. In the sky between the wagon and Mt. Hood is a white star, representing the thirty-third state. Around the edge is **OREGON STATEHOOD 1859-1959**. In the foreground to the right of the wagon, is the abbreviation of the association name.

The piece is made in two metals, 500 in sterling silver and 8,000 in copper plated with silver oxide. The sterling silver medals are \$8.00 each. A set of two silver oxide coins are available in an attractive leather-like folder showing obverse and reverse, and giving a brief description of the medal. Single medals are \$1.00 each plus 10¢ postage; sets \$2.50 plus 25¢ postage. Order in care of Robert J. Mumm, Holdman Rt., Pendleton, Ore. Mumm, who is president of the Association, designed the medal, which was struck by the Spokane Stamp Works.



*"It was a sort of hobby"*

## PHILADELPHIA MINT THEFT OF 1893

### Or, A Tale of Strong Suspenders

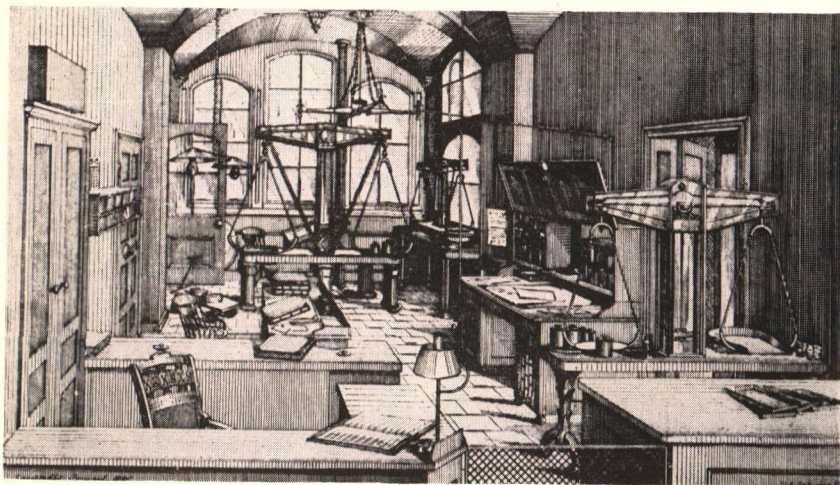
By

MICHAEL ZINGALE, A.N.A. No. 22395

**I**N THE FALL of 1893 the officials of the Philadelphia Mint discovered that the Mint had been looted of \$130,000 in gold. The missing gold was in bars weighing about 14 pounds and at that time worth \$5,000. Sometime prior to the discovery the mint building had

an investigation began. How had anyone taken such a large amount of bulky heavy bars without being discovered? For the moment no one seemed to know.

But there was one man who knew, although at this stage he wasn't talking. Henry S. Cochran was a



The weighing room

gone through an alteration job and the gold had been moved about from places where workmen were busy. This moving had been done under guard. It had been checked and rechecked and it was thought there was no possible way that any of the gold bars could have been stolen by any of the workmen engaged in the repair work.

In no time at all Secret Service investigators were on the spot and

funny old coot. He had been with the Mint 42 years, a trusted employee. Chief weighing clerk was his title and job. For the last 37 years he had held that job, ever since he had seen his chief stealing. Henry was an honest man. He reported the incident, the man was fired and Henry got his job. The government is always grateful and rewards honesty. So for 37 years Henry ground away at his job

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faithfully. Everyday he would come to work and perform his duties as chief weighing clerk. He would weigh all the scrap gold that jewelers would bring in, give them receipts and, after the assay reports, hand out gold coin in payment.

But Henry was a lonely man. He had never married and the years were dull. After some time he discovered that he enjoyed talking to young women.

He would go the rounds of the Philadelphia stores and talk with the young salesgirls. Naturally he would have to buy something at their counters, otherwise a nosy floorwalker would soon drive him away. You see, Henry was not a flirt; he just liked to talk to these girls, nothing improper, of course. It was a sort of hobby. Henry was a gentleman, a little touched the girls thought, but always a gentleman. So he would buy a necktie at Nellie's counter, a knife at Susie's and perhaps a pair of gloves at Mary's. Well, these articles kept piling up. He couldn't use them up fast enough, so he began to store them at home.

Henry lived in Darby, a few miles out of Philadelphia in an old stone house that he had bought years ago. The house was about 150 years old, predating revolutionary days with solid stone walls in some spots more than two feet thick. He liked the house very much and in his spare time he had pried some of the stones loose and then replaced them. These made wonderful hiding places. Now he could hide the surplus gloves, knives, umbrellas and various other articles that he purchased during his tours of the stores. The girls all knew Henry. If a girl was not at her usual spot, he would inquire and if the girl was ill, Henry would send candy or flowers and a get-well note. Nice and proper, nothing mashy about Henry.

Well, things went along this way for a year or two, the gloves and the socks began to accumulate more and more, and then Henry discovered that his money was running out. Of course, he still had

his salary as chief weighing clerk but that was hardly enough to keep body and soul and gloves together. Henry had nerve and daring, not enough daring, perhaps, to ask one of the pretty sales clerks for a date, but enough to figure out a plan to get more money for gloves and chats with the girls in the stores.

He bought a pair of very strong suspenders and in 1893 that meant that they were about the size of a harness. At night he sewed large buttons on his trousers with very strong thread. Now that would do it. The next morning he wore the new suspenders. During the day he went to one of the vaults where the gold bars were stored and took two of them. He and Mr. Robbins, his assistant, only knew the combination of the lock on the door of the vault. When it was about time to go for the day he attached the gold bars to his suspenders, one on each side, put on his overcoat and sauntered out of the Mint. The gold was his now and the rest was easy. At home that night he melted the bars in a crucible in his attic and poured the molten metal into receptacles that would change the shape and so make them different from government gold bars. This method also obliterated all identification marks.

A few days later Henry went to a small town in the vicinity and under a fictitious name sent the gold by express to the Philadelphia Mint and asked that an equivalent of gold coin be sent him. When the gold reached the Mint, he as chief weigher would receive it and attend to the shipment of gold coin in return. Then back to the town from which he had originally sent the metal he would go to claim the eagles and double eagles forwarded by himself. It was all so very simple. Now he had \$10,000 in shiny gold coins to back him up in his shopping hobby.

The years passed swiftly for Henry. Once in a while when his cash would run low he would repeat the process and heel himself again. Those were very happy years for him, shopping from store to



store buying gloves, neckties, trinkets or whatever was in stock at the moment. Some of the older girls left, some married, but always the replacements were there as fresh and young as ever with plenty of ammunition.

Sometimes Henry would add to his ready cash with another little plan that he had thought up. Jewelers and tradesmen in precious metals would bring to the Mint their scrap gold, old watchcases, spectacle cases or whatever they had. As chief weigher, Henry would weigh the metal and give them a receipt for weight. The exact amount of gold and karat would be determined by the assay. Taking the metal home to his crucible and attic, he would substitute alloy to break down the real gold content. Back to the Mint would go this watered stock, the assay would reveal less value and Henry had the difference.

It was a happy existence for Henry for in back of it all he never sensed that he was doing anything wrong. His stealing he did not look upon as stealing. After all, he had a purpose behind it. What a pleasure it was to pen a few lines to one of his girls: "Dear Miss Moore: I was in the store to see you today, but was told you were home ill. I trust you will soon be restored to your usual good health." Then he would send some candy or flowers. Truly this was really living.

Yet he knew it could not last forever. One day he heard the news, Colonel A. Loudon Snowden was leaving as superintendent and Major Bosbyshell would replace him. In the process of transfer all the coin in gold and bars would have to be counted. Everything went well until the examiners reached the vault compartment that Henry had looted over the years. Then came the discovery that \$130,000 was gone.

Still Henry was not suspected. After all, had he not been with the Mint 42 years as a trusted employee? As the investigation proceeded with still no prime suspect, Henry became jittery, the pressure within him broke and he confessed

to the officials and told them how the thievery had been done. He told them that when he knew the gold would be missed he went to the vault compartment, took some 21 bars of gold and, standing on a stool threw them through the skylight of the vault into the chamber between the ceiling of the vault and the floor above. He explained that he did this because when the shortage was discovered the officials would think the amount too great for anyone in the Mint to have managed to get away with it. A quick search soon found this gold.

The investigators took over his house in Darby and made a thorough search, Henry helping them by showing his various hiding places which yielded gold coin. He tried to bargain with the investigators, suggesting that perhaps they could sort of leave him a little nest egg, but to no avail.

It was all over now. When the recovered gold was tallied it amounted to \$115,000. The government was still out about \$15,000 and Henry's bond, which had been signed by Col. Snowden, was for only \$5,000. Henry then agreed to turn over all his property to the government and signed a judgment note. The terms of this would authorize the government to sell his real estate and personal property at auction.

The auction was a huge success and a large crowd attended, so great was the public interest in the man. Articles that ordinarily would have fetched a dollar or two brought 10 times that amount. Everybody wanted to take home a memento of "Honest Old Henry."

When everything was added up it developed that Col. Snowden had to supply just a few dollars to make up the remainder of the stolen money. Henry S. Cochran was placed on trial and received a sentence of seven years in prison. With good behavior he cut this down a bit and was released in 1900. He returned to Philadelphia and made his home there. Sometimes he would be seen wandering around the Mint, but he never went in. He

had had enough. When he died in 1906 he was 80.

I wonder if Mr. Robbins, Henry's assistant, was promoted to chief weigher, as had Henry when he turned in his erring predecessor. I could not find out.

Well, that's it. The Mint in Philadelphia has changed quite a bit since Henry's days. It has grown

much larger and more efficient and the modern chief weigher must buy gloves out of income.

Some day when you are in Philadelphia and stop in at the Mint for a few hundred proof sets, look around—and if you see an old gentleman wandering about bent with age or gold, be careful, it may be Henry's ghost, suspenders and all.

### DOMESTIC COINAGE EXECUTED, BY MINTS, DURING JUNE 1959

Denomination	Philadelphia	Denver	Total Value	Total Pieces
<b>SILVER</b>				
Half dollars .....	\$1,092,000.00	\$1,441,200.00	\$2,533,200.00	5,066,400
Quarter dollars .....		1,471,944.00	1,471,944.00	5,887,776
Dimes .....	2,110,000.00		2,110,000.00	21,100,000
Total Silver .....	3,202,000.00	2,913,144.00	6,115,144.00	32,054,176
<b>MINOR</b>				
Five-cent pieces .....	314,600.00		314,600.00	6,292,000
One-cent pieces .....	71,850.00	244,580.00	316,430.00	31,643,000
Total Minor .....	386,450.00	244,580.00	631,030.00	37,935,000
Total Domestic Coinage ..	\$3,588,450.00	\$3,157,724.00	\$6,746,174.00	69,989,176

### COINAGE EXECUTED FOR FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS

Mint	Country	Alloy	Denomination	No. of Pieces
Philadelphia	Costa Rica	Stainless Steel	5 Centimos	19,940,000
Philadelphia	Costa Rica	Stainless Steel	10 Centimos	10,470,000
			Total	30,410,000

### U. S. MINT REPORT FOR JUNE, 1959

(Giving the number of pieces struck exclusive of proof coins)

	Philadelphia	Denver
Half dollars .....	6,200,000	11,882,760
Quarter dollars .....	8,272,000	47,699,776
Dimes .....	68,000,000	66,940,570
Five-cent pieces .....	25,828,000	43,381,200
One-cent pieces .....	160,530,000	401,453,000
Proof sets struck during June, 1959.....		22,076
Proof sets struck in 1959 through June.....		413,221

### U. S. 1959 PROOF SETS

All orders for 1959 proof sets will be filled in a strict sequence of receipt date, and will be accepted, packed and shipped in either one set (\$2.10) or two set (\$4.20) packages. Orders for more than two sets must be in lots of five sets (\$10.50), 10 sets (\$21.00), 25 sets (\$52.50), 50 sets (\$105.00), 100 sets (\$210.00) or multiples of 100 sets only. If the quantities ordered exceed the Mint's ability to produce, the policy of shipping limited quantities on large orders and favoring the individual collector on small orders will be resumed. Remittances should be certified personal check, U. S. postal money order or bank cashier's check. Prices and terms are subject to change without notice. Send orders to Mrs. Rae V. Biester, Superintendent, United States Mint, 16th and Spring Garden Sts., Philadelphia 30, Pa.



# Books to Buy or Borrow

By

GLENN B. SMEDLEY, LM 296

Numismatics being the science and study of coins, other forms of money, and medals, it follows that every numismatist should read books on the subject. While he may borrow seldom-used books from a library, he should have a limited library of his own for ready reference.

Most collectors have limited funds to spend on their hobby and are understandably reluctant to invest in just any and every book relating to numismatics. Of course, the particular interest of the collector will have a bearing on the books he will buy. But there are basic books in the major areas of numismatics — books which will provide the most information of an authoritative nature.

R. S. Yeoman, the well-known editor of several coin books, and an associate of a firm which publishes others, gave a talk before the Chicago Coin Club on December 12, 1951, on this subject. He approached the problem of choosing books in this manner. "If my house was on fire and I had time to save just twenty-five books from my numismatic library, which twenty-five would I choose?" The list of twenty-five books which he handed out at the close of his talk has been this collector's guide ever since. To bring it up to date, a few titles have been replaced by those of later publications, and a few others have been added because I have found them to be especially helpful — including two which Mr. Yeoman edited and was too modest to include in his list.

A few of the twenty-nine books listed below are not readily found. Some of them may not interest you now, although you may wish for them sometime later. And you will want other books on your particular field of collecting. But owning and/or studying the following books will make anyone a better numismatist and give him greater satisfaction from his hobby.

TITLE	AUTHOR	DATE PUBLISHED
<i>Early Coins of America</i> .....	Sylvester S. Crosby	1875†
<i>The State Coinages of New England</i> ....	Miller and Ryder	1920
<i>The United States Half Cents</i> .....	Ebenezer Gilbert	1916
<i>Early American Cents, 1793-1814</i> .....	Dr. Wm. H. Sheldon	1949
<i>United States Copper Cents, 1814-1857</i> ...	Howard R. Newcomb	1944†
<i>United States Half Dimes</i> .....	D. W. Valentine	1931
<i>United States Dimes</i> .....	Abe Kosoff	1945
<i>Type Table of U. S. Dollars,</i> <i>Half Dollars and Quarter Dollars</i> ....	John W. Haseltine	1881
<i>Early Quarter Dollars</i> .....	A. W. Browning	1925
<i>A Register of Half Dollar Die Varieties</i> ..	M. L. Beistle	1929
<i>U. S. Pattern, Trial and</i> <i>Experimental Pieces</i> .....	E. H. Adams and William Woodin	1913†
<i>Private Gold Coinage of California</i> .....	Edgar H. Adams	1913
<i>California Gold Quarters,</i> <i>Halves and Dollars</i> .....	Ed. M. Lee	1932

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<i>Silver and Gold Coins of the World</i> .....J. W. Scott	1913
<i>Copper and Nickel Coins of the World</i> ...J. W. Scott	1913
<i>A Guide Book of United States Coins</i> ....R. S. Yeoman	1959*
<i>A Catalog of Modern World Coins</i> .....R. S. Yeoman	1957*
<i>Catalog of the Jenks Collection</i> .....Henry Chapman	1921
<i>Historia Numorum</i> .....Barclay V. Head	1887*
<i>The Types of Greek Coins</i> .....Percy Gardner	1883
<i>Roman Coins</i> .....Harold Mattingly	1928
<i>A History of Banking in the</i>	
<i>United States</i> .....John Jay Knox	1900
<i>History of American Coinage</i> .....David K. Watson	1899
<i>History of Currency in the</i>	
<i>United States</i> .....A. Barton Hepburn	1915*
<i>Fractional Money</i> .....Neil Carothers	1930
<i>U. S. Paper Money — Old Series</i> .....Dr. F. A. Limpert	1948*
<i>Paper Money of the United States</i> .....Robert Friedberg	1955*
<i>Dictionary of Numismatic Names</i> .....Albert R. Frey	1917†
<i>Numismatic Bibliography</i> .....Phares O. Sigler	1951

(Note: \* following date indicates more than one edition issued, † indicates reprints available.)

## New Commemorative Lincoln Medal



This strong, finely modeled head of Lincoln, commemorating the sesquicentennial of his birth is the work of James A. Wehn, well known for his historical medallions. For half a century he has been interested in collecting Lincoln material. A small edition (one hundred) of these medals has been struck in bronze for this sesquicentennial year to honor Lincoln. These commemorative medals,  $2\frac{3}{4}$  inches in diameter with a plain polished reverse, were struck by the Medallic Art Co. of New York.

These medals, at \$8.00 each, are obtainable from Paul Fouts, 609 Peoples Bldg., Seattle 1, Wash.



# Aluminum Coins Popular in Many Nations

Aluminum has been used as coinage metal by over fifty different governments, according to Vernon L. Brown, Curator of Chase Manhattan Bank's Museum of Moneys. The prominence of aluminum as a modern coinage metal was emphasized in a recent interview between Brown and Miss Marjorie Silver who conducts a syndicated radio series called "Airmail Personal."



Vernon L. Brown, Curator of The Chase Manhattan Bank's Museum of Moneys, is shown here with radio interviewer Marjorie Silver, was a recent guest on the syndicated series "Airmail Personal" by arrangement with The Aluminum Association. On the table are some specimens referred to in the discussion. Included are an 1857 U.S. 5-cent aluminum pattern, private institutional coins, the first aluminum coin used in North America and an aluminum foil note used as company scrip.

The first official use of aluminum in coinage was a one-tenth penny piece struck for use in Nigeria in 1907, Brown said in the interview which was distributed in tape form to over a hundred radio stations July 24. The interview was arranged by The Aluminum Association.

Aided by several attractive panels of aluminum coins and notes, Brown traced the history of aluminum in coinage and numismatics generally. Among the specimens displayed was

a one centavo piece issued by the state of Durango during the Mexican revolution in 1914. This, he said, is considered the first aluminum coin used in North America. Since those days, however, aluminum coins and tokens have penetrated to such diverse areas as the Arctic Circle and the interior of Africa.

Nor were coins the only application of aluminum to numismatics, Mr. Brown said. One of the interesting items he had on hand was a specimen of company scrip, a 100-mark note printed on aluminum foil and issued by a European firm. He also recalled a commemorative wooden dollar painted with aluminum paint produced for a Hoquiam, Washington, celebration twenty-six years ago.

In addition to coins, the Curator discussed the early appearance of the bright metal in a number of souvenir medals issued at the time of the Columbian Exposition. "These," he said, "may have been the very first occasion for many people to own an actual sample of what was then a relatively rare metal."

In the course of the interview he called attention to the striking of patterns in aluminum. To illustrate, he indicated an 1867 pattern for a five-cent piece produced by the United States mint. This was one of many patterns produced in aluminum in the last century. When asked if aluminum had ever been used in this country as bona fide money, he commented that the "bingle" coins of Alaska might possibly qualify as semiofficial coins, at least. The "bingles" were a series of eight coins, six struck in aluminum, issued under authority of the Alaska Rural Rehabilitation Corporation in 1936. These were used by resettled farm families as media of exchange in a colony commissary in the Matanuska Valley of Alaska. They have since become rather rare as collectors' items.

Questioned as to his opinion on the prospect of aluminum coinage

in the United States, Brown said it was not likely in the foreseeable future, but that the growing number of American tourists in foreign countries might generate a demand for coins that were light in weight, free from tarnish and verdigris, and which lent themselves readily to an attractive design. He also stated that there was an excellent supply of aluminum and that the United

States was the world's greatest producer of the metal. This country's per capita use is greater than any other country in the world.

Vernon Brown is a former member of the Board of Governors of the American Numismatic Association and immediate past president of the New York Numismatic Club. He is also Curator of the A.N.A. coin collection.

### Books Given to Polish Society



President O. H. Dodson is shown presenting American Numismatic Association numismatic books to the Numismatic Section of the Polish Archaeological Society. Left to right: Professor Dr. Stanislaw Lorentz, Director of the National Museum in Warsaw; President Dodson; Docent Dr. Zygmunt Wdowiszewski, Head of the Numismatic Cabinet of the National Museum; Professor Leon Ter-Oganjan, Professor of English at the University of Warsaw and President Dodson's interpreter during his Warsaw visit.



# Trial of the Pyx: 1959

By

MRS. SARA BENEMAN

## Preface

Recently the Western Maryland Coin Club of Cumberland, Md., was privileged to hear a talk by Mrs. Sara Beneman, a noncollector, on her experience as a member of the 1959 U. S. Assay Commission. As others, too, may be interested, we have submitted this talk to *The Numismatist* for publication. — Anthony J. Cioni, Secretary, Western Maryland Coin Club.

Ten days after Director of the Mint W. H. Brett called me and asked if I would serve on the U. S. Assay Commission of 1959, I received a letter confirming my appointment. Along with it came a folder, containing the names of the members of the Commission, the findings of the 1958 Commission, duties of the Commission and a History of the Trial of the Pyx. The following quotations are from this booklet.

## History

Members of the Annual Assay Commission are participants in a ritual which has persisted throughout the centuries. While its origin is lost in antiquity it is known that the ancient Greeks took much pride in the weight and fineness of their coins and the authorities kept a close check on the coiners. The Romans minted their coins in the Temple of Juno Moneta and while they may have attributed the fineness of their coins to that goddess we can be sure that the realistic Romans didn't trust to luck entirely.

From *The Coinage of England* by Charles Oman, we learn that during the period of the Crusades, the Anglo-Saxons gave considerable attention to the weight and fineness of their coin. Laws approved by Ethelred's Witan at London in 1002 provided heavy penalties for any mintmaster who took his tools to a secret place — a wood is suggested — and there out of sight of all witnesses struck coins which were unsatisfactory in weight or metal. Apparently this was sometimes done in collusion with merchants who went to a moneyer with low-quality foreign pence or base

bullion and induced him to recoin them with his dies in a surreptitious fashion.

After the Norman Conquest of England the weight and purity of the King's pennies showed a marked decline. Embarking on a sound money policy and to correct the situation before Christmas in the year 1124, Henry I commanded that all moneyers of England should be deprived of their members. The decree was carried out on some 94 hapless individuals, prompting one chronicler's report there was a great money scarcity the following year due to lack of moneyers.

A more sociable gathering took place in 1208 when King John summoned his moneyers to Westminster, who brought their workmen, assayers and dies with them. This was apparently for a general assize and verification of issues like the Trial of the Pyx of later days.

Records tell of an assembly in 1248 of moneyers, *custodes cuneorum* (die mechanics) and assayers of all the mints. The meeting was attended by Henry II, the Mayor of London and many magnates, at which time a jury of professional goldsmiths made assays of two wedges of silver, one of pure metal and one of standard coinage metal.

The Trial of the Pyx became established as a continuous and regular Ceremony during the reign of Edward III (1327-1376). By proclamation, it provided:

"So soon as the moneys are coyned and compleate, the Warden to receave yt as the Master receaveth yt from the moneyers, and putt yt in one Chest shut with two keys. And before the moneys bee paid to the Marchant, as the request of the said Master,

Editor's Note: Portions of Mrs. Beneman's talk have been deleted but in the main it is pretty much as it was delivered. Quoted sections taken from the pamphlet are verbatim.

the Warden shall make a tryall of yt, and if yt shall not bee so good as yt is undertaken, yt shall bee returned to the said Master to bee remolten at his owne proper costs."

This "assize" consisted of placing in small sealed boxes (pyxides) fair samples of the gold and silver currencies taken at haphazard which were then weighed in the presence of the King's representatives and finally melted down refined in order that their fineness might be verified. There was a "remedy" allowed, for slight excess or defect of weight in individual coins, but the whole bulk

the English system of preserving samples of coinage in the pyx box, for mass assaying by a jury of the Company of Goldsmiths in the presence of the Lord Chancellor, the officers of the Treasury and others.

The Mint of the United States was established in 1792. The same Act of Congress which authorized it also provided for the Annual Assay Commission to be composed of the Chief Justice of the United States, the Secretary and Comptroller of the Treasury, the Secretary for the Department of State and the Attorney General of the United States.

It has been stated that the first



**U. S. Assay Medal, 1959**

of each box was required to correspond to the amount in grains and pennyweights which the sum in the box represented by count. The object of refining, with a small similar "remedy" for loss of metal in the furnace, was to discover whether there was the proper residuum of pure gold or silver left in the cupel after the moderate amount of official alloy had been evaporated in the furnace. The trials were at first at such short intervals — three months — that it was necessary to have a distinguishing privy mark for the coins of each trimestral issue, in order that it might be certain that only the most recent emission was being tested.

Alexander Hamilton in presenting to the Congress in 1791 the result of his "inquiries and reflections" relative to the establishment of a Mint concluded that "the remedy for errors in the weight and alloy of the coins must necessarily form a part in the system of the Mint; and the manner of applying it will require to be regulated." In his message he described

coins from the Philadelphia Mint were silver dimes and half dimes in October, 1792. Whether an Assay Commission was appointed to examine these early coins is not known, but according to the record books of Henry Voigt, the chief coiner, there were purchased thirty and one-half gallons of rum during that month. As there were but few employees around the Mint at that time to consume so much rum speculation is that some kind of entertainment or celebration took place over the minting of the first coins. It could very well have been the first meeting of the Annual Assay Commission.

It is believed that the Assay Commission has met each year since it was first created in 1792, with few exceptions. In 1801, when the capital was moved, the February meeting that year was postponed. It is presumed that the condition of the roads in midwinter made it impossible to travel with horses from Washington to Philadelphia. When the meeting could not be held on the prescribed



date, Elias Boudinot, Director of the Mint, wrote an indignant letter to President John Adams complaining that the public's confidence was being undermined and that the depositors were clamoring for the coins retained for examination. In those days the Mint operated on a "custom" basis, taking in bullion from individuals and returning to them an appropriate weight of coins. Thus the specimens retained for the annual assaying really belonged to the customers of the Mint. Congress solved the problem by providing for a meeting in April of that year.

There is some evidence that an Assay Commission did not meet in 1817 to examine the prior year's silver coinage because there was none. The reason, it appears, was that on January 11, 1816 a fire broke out in the mill-house, an old wooden shack in the Mint's backyard and this blaze spread to the adjoining building which contained the rolling and drawing apparatus necessary to make planchets for gold and silver coins, causing extensive damage which was not repaired until the following year.

The law now provides that the Assay Commission shall be composed of the Judge of the District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, the Comptroller of the Currency, the Assayer of the Assay Office at New York and such other persons as the President shall designate. The first authorization for the public to serve on the Commission was provided by statute in 1837. Being composed almost entirely of impartial citizens, independent of the Mint service, the Assay Commission reports to the President any deviations in coins beyond the legal limits. The object of their meeting is to insure the greatest care on the part of the coiners in conforming in all respects to legal weights and finenesses. The knowledge that any coin may be selected for this check has an excellent psychological effect upon the officers of the coinage mints, which is of great virtue in keeping our coinage standards at the highest possible level.

As the annual assay or trial of the coinage takes place after the coin has been issued any error that might have occurred would not be discovered in time for its prompt correction. It is for this reason during the past fifty years precautionary measures have been instituted to make special assays before coin is released. Each Mint Assayer, an independent official appointed by the President, is re-

quired to certify that all coinage ingots prepared in the Mint are within legal limits of deviation before they are delivered to the Coining Division and no ingots may be used for coinage which are not so certified by the Assayer. After the ingots are received by the coiner, the latter is required to adjust the weight of the single pieces of coin produced so as to have them conform with the legal limits of tolerance. When a delivery of finished coin is turned over to the Superintendent of the Mint, the latter must, by trial separately of not less than three pieces selected at random, for each 1,000 pieces embraced in the delivery, satisfy himself that the coins are within the legal limits as to weight. After this trial, at random there is taken not less than one piece for each 10,000 pieces or fractional part thereof of silver coin delivered, without selection or previous weighing, for the annual assay. Further, silver coins from each delivery made to the Superintendent must be sent to the office of the Director of the Mint in Washington where they are tested for conformity in weight and fineness before they may be released to the Federal Reserve banks and branches which distribute the coin to the banking system throughout the nation.

During the calendar year 1958 the two United States Mints produced a total of 280,963,912 pieces of silver coin. Inasmuch as the pyx box contains 28,171 coins taken at random throughout the year from mint production it is clear the Commission could not be expected to examine every single one of them. The Commission is therefore expected to examine only such number as satisfies it as being representative of the whole.

Each year the Commission adopts, with such modifications as it deems appropriate, the set of rules for its organizations and government used by the previous Commission. With little change, the same rules have been in effect since 1856 when they were prepared by the Senior Federal Judge in Philadelphia, the District Attorney and the Collector of Customs for the Port of Philadelphia.

### Commission Meets

I arrived at the Philadelphia Mint about 8:00 a.m., on February 11th and was escorted to a lounge where the other members of the Commission were gathering. There



was only one other woman on this Commission, Mrs. Dorothy G. Stults of Wayne, N. J. We were greeted and made welcome by Mrs. Rae V. Biester, Superintendent of the Philadelphia Mint, a gracious hostess and a lovely person. The Commission, called to order at 9:00 a.m., was made welcome, its members introduced and, on behalf of the President, each member was presented with his commission. We were told that we should complete our duties within the day and that later we would be taken on a tour of the Mint if we so desired.

A permanent chairman was elected, John W. Remington, Rochester, N. Y. Three committees were named: Committee on Assaying, Committee on Weighing and Committee on Counting, each with a chairman. I was on the Weighing Committee with Dr. A. V. Astin from the National Bureau of Standards, Washington, D. C., chairman. This is a very technical operation and that is why it is desirable to have a man with qualities such as Dr. Astin possesses as chairman of this committee.

When the seal is broken from the box containing the certified weights from the Director of the Bureau of Standards there is a dignified ceremony. The occasion is recorded for posterity by movie and television cameras and many reporters are on hand to secure a writeup for their newspapers.

We functioned pretty close to the rules laid down by previous Commissions. About the only thing that the folder fails to allow for is the

lunch break. This we took and completed our duties in the early afternoon.

### **Found: a Perfect Coin**

Out of all the coins weighed, only one coin, a dime, was found to be perfect in every respect, the first such coin in eleven years according to Dr. Astin. He assured me that the people have nothing to worry about concerning the quality of their coins.

The three Committees met to report their findings and to sign their reports. No recommendations were made by this committee. There being no further business the meeting was adjourned and the Assay Commission for 1959 went out of business.

I am amazed that so few of you know about this Commission. There is an excuse for my not knowing about it, but I thought that coin collectors would surely be aware of it. I am of the opinion that the history and workings of the Commission should be taught in the schools. It has more historical value than many things now being taught.

My most prized souvenir is this medallion which was presented to each member of the Commission. The inscription around the edge is my name. I would not part with this for anything. It is one of my most prized possessions.

It was a wonderful experience. I consider myself fortunate to have been selected, for it was the greatest thrill of my life to have served on this Assay Commission.

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**Egyptian High Denomination Banknotes** — According to a law issued in Egypt on April 16, 1959, all LE 50 and LE 100 banknotes were to be withdrawn from circulation and exchanged for banknotes of smaller denominations. The exchange of notes was to take place during the period April 18-May 2, 1959, after which they will cease to be legal tender. For notes in circulation in Egypt, the exchange was to be handled through banks in Egypt. Measures have been taken to prevent the entry into Egypt of high denomination notes which were smuggled out of the country during the Suez crisis. As any such notes as may now be outside Egypt have left the country illegally, their holders will not be permitted to exchange them for notes of smaller denomination. One purpose of the new measure was to combat the depressing effects on the exchange rate of large quantities of Egyptian notes circulating outside Egypt. — *Al Ahram*, Cairo, Egypt, April 17, 1959.



# Notes & Queries

## Mihalyi Exhibits Medal Collection

Charles Z. Mihalyi of Glenfield, N. Y., exhibited part of his medal collection of the Turkish war in Hungary at the Empire State Numismatic Association convention held at the Sheraton Hotel in Albany, May 15-17.

He showed approximately a hundred medals of the war between the Hungarians and the Western Powers and the Turkish Empire that held one-third of Hungary for 150 years. There were silver, bronze, zinc, etc., medals of the battle of Vienna, the conquest of the Hungarian cities and fortresses including Buda, capital of Hungary; Esztergom, where Mihalyi was born; conquest of Ersek Ujvar in 1785; Peter Varad, Mohacs, Siklos, Szolnok, Ungvar, Kassa, Szarvas, Tokay, Eperjes, Verovitza, Szekes Fehervar, Simon Tornya, Kaposvar, Goloza, Esrek, Kanizsa, Nagy Varad, Zenta, Szeged and other battles. This medal collection of the Hungarian-Turkish battles is probably the largest and finest in the United States.

## Finest Folk Found Anywhere

Dear Sir:

Year after year I am impressed more and more with the fact that coin collectors are the finest folks found anywhere. They possess the traits that make for a sterling character:— They are a sincere, friendly, honest and helpful lot when and where met. I very often address various groups, clubs, organizations, etc., on some phase of coin collecting, and in most cases find a place to stress this point. More especially in a talk, captioned "The Value of a Hobby," I used the American Numismatic Association's membership directory to illustrate. It has no equal in putting over the idea. I say this: "Here in this book are the names and addresses of thousands of individuals scattered all over these United States and sixty foreign countries who have our interests at heart, and they constitute the finest people on earth. No one is a stranger to the others, and he is always welcome in their company."

For a good many years I have experienced the warmth of A.N.A. membership. In travels, business trips, vacation periods, etc., I contact these listed coin hobbyists when in their towns. So very often we talk, show our material, buy, sell, and trade. It's a numismatic custom. In this way we get to know each other personally, to make a lot of fast, lifetime friends, and find something for our collection. This sort of thing is a universal practice among most of those holding membership in the A.N.A.

Some A.N.A. members, for one reason or another, come to our town (Waco, Texas). In almost all cases they make contact. For example: Matt H. Rothert, Camden, Ark., does a lot of traveling throughout the southwest. He represents the Camden Furniture Co. and sells a heap of this fine furniture. A business man, we think, but never so much so that he fails to contact his numismatic friends. Of late, on two occasions, Mr. Rothert's business brought him to Waco. On each of the trips we met, not to sell or buy furniture, but to talk numismatics, the value of A.N.A. membership, etc.

Matt Rothert, second Vice President of the American Numismatic Association, is doing a fine work in that posi-

## NEW A.N.A. SLIDE CASES



Michael Dolnick, Custodian of the American Numismatic Association's slide collection, at left, is shown inspecting new shipping cases designed and constructed by Philip More, who donated his labor and skill to the project. Slide users in the future will receive their slides in these attractive and sturdy boxes.

tion. He has accepted an invitation to address the Waco club in the near future and we anticipate an entertaining and enlightening evening.

— KALVART K. TIDWELL  
A.N.A. No. 16320  
P. O. Box 1144  
Waco, Texas

### Shades of OPA!

Dear Mr. Editor:

Regarding article "A Standard Rating Agency for Coin Grading," page 824, July *Numismatist*, I do not agree that such agency is needed. What is more needed is a "Price Control Center Office" where the agents of such office would set prices for the total year, at beginning of each year (or at whatever time of year this should be done) and let the prices be for each current year.

Confusion in grading U.S. coins should have ceased when a recent book was introduced to the numismatic market. Let us shake the hands of Brown and Dunn, authors of *Guide to Grading of U. S. Coins*.

Since this book is already known as the numismatic standard for us who have purchased the book, all that remains to be done by those who do not have the book, is to buy it, grade by it, and join the happy family.

The members of Silver City Coin Club grade their coins by this guide hence, speaking the same language, they buy, sell and swap with confidence at club auctions, and at dealers who grade their coins by the book. Realizing how tough it is for the dealers who have been grading coins in their own set ways for years, I say the reward is worth following this guide. No more letters of complaint and no more return of coins for unsatisfactory grading.

— MARIE E. DYER, President  
Silver City Coin Club  
P. O. Box 1057  
Silver City, N. Mex.

### Worcester, Mass., Paper Starts Coin Column

The *Evening Gazette* of Worcester, Mass., has recently begun a coin column published weekly on Saturdays. The feature was organized by A. F. Smith, managing editor, and is being written by Edmund J. Vaskas, staff member and a member of the Worcester County Numismatic Society. Information and inquiries for the column may be mailed to either of the above mentioned.

### Urges Coin Clubs to Give More Attention to Juniors

Michael M. Dolnick, Custodian of Slides, recently received the following letter:

Dear Mike:

Mighty well pleased with the slides mailed us for the junior collectors meeting that we held. This is not official, but we had 35 members and about 18 young collectors present.

It was fun. We asked each young collector what he collected and the answers were coins, stamps, snakes, butterflies, knives. The best was the young man that had prompted the meeting was "anything that does not cost over 11¢." I had given a coin talk to the local Rotary club, and after the meeting this young man asked me if I had a complete Lincoln cent collection to which I said "Yes." He said "Do you have the 1959-D cent," I replied no, but they were shipped and as soon as they arrived, I would give him two. This I did and tonight each junior collector also received a 1959-D cent for being present.

If the members of local clubs will share their experiences with young people, the latter will build a sound foundation in collecting coins and will be more likely to retain an interest in the hobby.

— C. H. PONTIUS  
A.N.A. No. 4693  
Island Park  
Sunbury, Pa.

### South African Mint Lists Coins for Sale

South African proof sets of 1959 coins (eleven pieces, including gold pound and half pound) are available from the South African Mint, P. O. Box 464, Pretoria, Union of South Africa, at £10 10s. (Still in stock are proof sets of 1958, £11 15s; 1955, £12 7s 6d; 1952, £15 2s 6d).

Two proof gold coins, £1 and £½, of 1959 are £9 per set; 1955, £10 10s.

Proof sets of nine coins, 5s to ¼d, of 1959, are £1 11s; 1956, £2; 1955, £2 7s 6d; 1951, £3 6s 6d.

Uncirculated sets of nine coins, 5s to ¼d, 1959, 15s; 1958, 16s; 1957, 17s.

Selected crowns (5s), 1959, 6s; 1958, 7s; 1956, 8s; 1954, 8s 6d.

Extremely fine crowns (5s), 1950, 7s; 1949, 6s 6d; 1948, 6s 6d; 1947, 12s 6d.

Crown size plastic cases, in lots of ten or more, 6d per case (no more than a hundred cases per year to a single customer.)



Limited number of £1 gold uncirculated, 1952, £6 5s; £½ 1952, £4 5s.

Prices include surface mail postage. Remittances must be sent with order, preferably by international money order; bank drafts must include bank commission. Make remittances payable to the S. A. Mint, Pretoria. Proof sets are in lined leatherette cases.

#### **Lincoln, Neb. Coins Taken in Daylight Burglary**

Curtis L. Murphy, 332 S. 27th St., Lincoln, Neb. lost a collection of coins along with other items in a daytime burglary of his home the first week of July. Total estimated value of property taken was reported to be about \$4,000. (News story sent in by Otto Klima.)

#### **What Others Publish**

*Seaby's Coin and Medal Bulletin*, July, 1959. "The Capture of Porto Bello" by Laurence Brown; "Sasanian Coins" by Dr. Robert Göbl; "Additions to the Eighteenth Century Token Coinage of Great Britain" by John R. Farnell, Sr.; organization news.

*The M.A.N.A. Journal*, July, 1959. "How Counterfeit Notes Launched a New Career for Allan Pinkerton" by Glenn B. Smedley; "July 4, 1959: 133rd Anniversary of American Independence"; "Why Not Start a Club News Letter" by Herbert Shaner, Jr.; book review by the editor; club news.

*The Numismatic Circular*, July-August, 1959. "Notes on Colonial Coins, The Virgin Islands - Tortola" by F. Pridmore; "The Coinage of South Germany in the Thirteenth Century - Towns in the 'Old South,' Konstanz and Western Swabia" by D. M. Metcalf.

*Coins, Unlimited*, July, 1959. "Courtney Coffing's Coin Corner"; "The Finest People Anywhere" by Kalvart Tidwell.

*The Flying Eagle*, July 6, 1959. "100 Years of Numismatics" by C. Lynn Glaser; "Currency Statistics Closing Gaps" by H. D. Allen; "Canadian Nickel Types" by Starr Gilmore.

*Kelly's Coins and Chatter*, April, 1959. "A Napoleonic Memento from Portugal"; "Symbol of Understanding." May, 1959. "The Most Archaic Modern Crown" by Hans Holzer. June, 1959. "Unknown Emperor of Britain" by Harry Leigh-Pink; "German Princes for Export" by Hans Holzer. July, 1959. "The Puzzle of the Shekel"; "Flames of the Revolution Dollar"; "Sestertius of Domitian."

*California Palace of Legion of Honor Museum Bulletin*, March, 1959. "Greek Coins and Their Reflections of Art" by Edward Gans.

*College Art Association of America Bulletin*, March, 1959. "Theodosius or Justinian? a Renaissance Drawing of a Byzantine rider" by Phyllis L. Lehmann.

*World Paper Money Journal*, July, 1959. Explanation of newly formed World Paper Money Club, with membership listing. Write Dwight Musser, 432 Twentieth St., Dunbar, W. Va.

*Australian Numismatic Journal*, January, 1959. "Australiana in Public Collections; Department of Coins and Medals, British Museum, London" by Howard Linecar; "Australian Bank Notes, 1910-1959" by G. W. Tomlinson; "Australiana - Studies in Australian Tokens" by J. Hunt Deacon. (This magazine is the official publication of the Numismatic Society of South Australia, Hon. Secretary R. M. Greig, 2 Sallis Ave., Tramere, South Australia; membership, £1 10s.)

*The Canadian Numismatic Journal*, July, 1959. "The Growth of Numismatics in Canada" by V. G. Greene; "The Fascinating Hobby" by H. Don Allen; "A Bibliography of Canadian Numismatics" by Fred Bowman and R. C. Willey.

*Mint Error Collector Bulletin*, August, 1959. Two-third column on 1942/1 dime; quarter page on Benzinger '43-D bronze cent.

*The Numismatic Scrapbook*, July 20, 1959. "Provisional Sales Tax Tokens of Illinois" by Charles H. Lipsky; "Bullion for Early U. S. Coinage" by Walter Thompson; "The Commemorative Coinage of the Philippines" by Thomas Becker; "Patriotic Civil War Tokens" by George and Melvin Fuld; "Facts and Fantasy about Models for U. S. Coins" by C. Lynn Glaser; "Canadian Sovereigns" by H. C. Taylor; "U. S. Commemorative Coins" by Arlie Slabaugh.

William H. Griffiths: *The Story of the American Bank Note Company*. First time the history of this company has been told. Steel engravings. Limited distribution by the company.

*Canadian Bulletin*, July, 1959. House organ of Marles & Co., Dept. B-7, Box 883, Calgary, Canada. "Reformers, Pioneers and Oil Millionaires"; book review of *Pieces of Fate*; items for sale.

#### **Bills in Congress**

On July 23, Representative Edward H. Rees of Kansas offered a bill (H.R.



8378) asking for legislation approving the striking of not more than 20,000 silver or bronze medals, either or both, commemorating the centennial of Kansas statehood. Upon authorization of the Kansas Centennial Commission, duplicates in bronze or silver or both may be struck by the U.S. mints.

### Wooden Money

Two issues of wooden "nickels" have been made to commemorate the centennial of Greenwich, N. Y. They may be obtained from W. S. McBurney, 81 Main St., Greenwich, N.Y.

As part of the Presque Isle, Mich., centennial celebration three varieties of five cent wooden money has been issued. For information, write Don Jordan, Novelties Committee chairman.

Lorain, Ohio, is 125 years old and both a wooden "nickel" and a half dollar token have been made. The token is priced at 60¢ and the five cent piece, 10¢. Order from the Lorain Civic Memorial Assn., 885 N. Central Dr., Lorain, Ohio.

### Coin Buying and Selling Travel a Two-Way Street

Dear Mr. Bradfield:

In the last two years I have been buying coins of top quality. Of the many so-called coin dealers over the country who advertise in numismatic publications on the market, I am becoming frightened to mail a check for purchases. Has anything been done in the past to curb misrepresentation in advertising?

ANONYMOUS

Editor's note:

Back in the days when both collectors and dealers were fewer in number and better acquainted with each other through personal contact, buying and selling by mail was less hazardous than today. Because of expected easy profit, more and more strange names of so-called coin dealers appear day by day, only to disappear on the morrow.

Requirements for advertising in *The Numismatist* are such that undesirable advertisers are kept out of our pages. Occasionally, however, one goes sour. Last year we had to expel two members from the American Numismatic Association and denied them further use of our advertising pages. The Association is not a police organization but it may suspend or expel a member, after proper hearings before the Executive Board, for

"conduct prejudicial to the welfare of the Association." All A.N.A. officers and governors, the Advertising Manager and the Editor of *The Numismatist* make every effort to keep our ad pages "clean."

Perhaps the only way collectors and dealers can establish mutual trust is by the exchange of business and personal references—and actually check those references. One may also make personal inquiries of other collectors or dealers, as the case may be. Where possible, investigate before you invest.

There are plenty of responsible dealers and conversely, I am sorry to say, some irresponsible collectors. The latter sometimes give dealers a hard time by coin switching, etc. Traffic in coins moves in a two-way street. Both buyer and seller must be honest.

### Mo.-Ark. Society Meets November 7-8

The Missouri-Arkansas Numismatic Society will hold its semiannual fall convention November 7th and 8th. The meeting will be held in the Arkansas Hotel at Rogers, Ark. There will be plenty of parking space and good food available. Registration begins on Saturday morning. No auction has been planned so that dealers

### SOME ROCHESTER LEADERS



Taken at the June Rochester Numismatic Association meeting on the occasion of the election of the new president of the R.N.A. From left to right are John Jay Pittman, past president of R.N.A. and chairman of A.N.A. Visual Education Committee; Edward Gilroy, secretary of R.N.A. and former A.N.A. board member; Chas. J. Ricard, R.N.A. president; George J. Bauer, past president of R.N.A. and past president of A.N.A.; Dr. John MacMillan, past president of R.N.A.



may have more time to show and sell their coins. About thirty dealers and 250 coin collectors are expected. Bourse tables at \$15.00 each may be reserved by writing to Charles Miller, 518 Garrison, Ft. Smith, Ark.

#### **Lee Mason Buys Sommers Coin Business**

Lee and Vi Mason have purchased the coin business of the late Robert G. Sommers and will continue the enterprise in Suite 3112, Jenkins Arcade Building, Pittsburgh, Pa. The new owners will add their own private collection to the stock and will also carry a complete line of accessories. Some of the staff, including Mrs. Phyllis Michaels, will be retained. Mason has been an A.N.A. member

since 1937 and is well known to many numismatists.

#### **McClure, Schilling Gain After Heart Attack**

Paul F. Schilling, 17304 Lahser Rd., Detroit 19, Mich., suffered a coronary thrombosis May 21, but is on the way to recovery. He wishes to thank several hundred members of the numismatic fraternity for their letters and cards of encouragement.

Dudley McClure, 4310 N. Overlook Blvd., Portland, Ore., who turned in an outstanding job as publicity chairman of this year's A.N.A. convention, has been shelved temporarily by angina.

Best wishes for a quick and complete recovery to both of these hard-working numismatists. — Editor.

## **Jack Benny, Steve Allen and CSA Money**



The South has risen! Recently Grover Criswell, well-known exponent of things Confederate, and particularly CSA notes, appeared on John Daly's TV show, "What's My Line." The Southern gentleman must be a very persuasive salesman, for he interested both Jack Benny and Steve Allen in CSA paper currency and sold a \$10.00 CSA bill to the former. Some of the participants of the program were, left to right, Bennett Cerf, Criswell, Jack Benny, Jane Meadows and her husband, Steve Allen. Arlene Frances and John Daly were the other panelists.

# COINS WE SHOULD KNOW

By

P. K. ANDERSON, LM 210

Continued from July, 1959

**CENTENIONALIS:** A bronze coin, lightly plated with silver, introduced by Constantine the Great (306-337), was issued profusely until after Arcadius (395-408). It was the one-hundredth part of the SILIQUA.



Centenionalis of Constantine (ANS)

**CENTIME:** The French version of CENTAVO. Used in France, Belgium, Switzerland and other countries. The one-hundredth part of the FRANC. The CENTIME was seldom struck but multiples are plentiful.



France, 10 centimes, 1926 (ANS)

**CENTESIMO:** Another name for CENTAVO used in Italy and the various duchies and principalities of Italy. The hundredth part of the unit. Multiples were coined.



Italy, 10 centesimos, Victor Emanuel III (ANS)

**CHAIN CENT:** A name given by coin collectors to a variety of the United States CENT issued in 1793 and having the denomination surrounded by a chain of fifteen links instead of a wreath.



United States, "chain" cent, 1793 (ANS)

To be continued

## QUESTIONS

1. What is the longest name ever given to a circulating coin?
2. What was "gun money" and where did it circulate?
3. What are "bouquet sous" and why are they so-named?
4. There is a variety of the bouquet sous which was struck by an American firm from cracked dies. What is it?

(Answers on page 1100)



# LATIN AMERICAN PORTRAITS

By

COURTNEY L. COFFING, A.N.A. No. 14439

Continued from June, 1959

## JOSE ANTONIO PAEZ

"We are not assassins. After the victory we are always merciful."



Venezuelan peso, 1863, silver, with Páez portrait.

José Antonio Páez was born June 13, 1790 at Aricagua near Acarigua in the Canton of Araure, in the Province of Barinas, Venezuela. His father was Juan Victoria Páez; his mother, María Violante Herrera, both Indians. José was their seventh son.

Juan Páez was employed by the colonial government. At the age of eight José attended school in Guama. Before completing school, the marriage of his parents broke up, and his mother was left in poverty to raise her children. José went to work on the cattle farm of a brother-in-law, and later other relatives, his wages being three pesos monthly. Manuelote, an ex-slave Negro, now foreman, taught him gymnastics and horsemanship.

Between 1810 and 1813, he married Dominga Ortiz. This is all the mention he gives his wife in his two volume autobiography. He gave passing mention also to his sister, Luisa.

In 1810 he enlisted in a patriotic squadron, and by 1819 had been in many battles – not always successful, and at times, captured. In 1816 José succeeded Santander as chief

of the army, on September 16 being named the "Jefe Supremo." His troops joined Bolívar in the campaign of 1819-1820 in Colombia. In the midst of the Spanish campaign in South America, James Monroe addressed the Congress of the United States on December 12, 1823, setting forth the Monroe Doctrine. This was highly regarded in South America, and Páez wrote, "The Monroe Doctrine, nevertheless, very soon came to be for the American people a symbol of political faith."

Páez led the plainsmen against the Spaniards in Venezuela, and was known as the *llanero* (plainsman) to his troops. He joined with Bolívar in the fight for liberation of his country. He was big, rough, and loved by his men. They called him "Páez, the Centaur." This individualistic, nomadic leader hated formal discipline but from his troops he got instant obedience. He treated his opponents compassionately – said, "We are not assassins. After the victory we are always merciful."

At times his soldiers had more lances than firearms. They were poorly clothed and equipped. They ate common food, often meat without salt or bread. They had few saddles and little protection from the weather. On several occasions he disobeyed Bolívar's orders, which evoked rebuke and disappointment.

Páez served Venezuela as president between 1821-29. In 1830, when Venezuela broke with Colombia, he was made provisional president until March 18, 1831. He enforced the law through personal will and prestige. When he became constitutional president in 1831, he served until February 9, 1835, when Dr.

Vargas succeeded him. Paez was also president from February 1, 1839 to January 28, 1843.

He was imprisoned by his opponents in the internal revolts of 1843. For a while he was in a cell so small he could hardly breathe. Popular clamor in José's favor was responsible for his release, and as he went into exile, a procession of school children dressed in white honored him.

Paez was dictator between 1861-63. He allowed freedom of the press. He suppressed many activities of the church but it was not the object of persecution or a center of conflict. The country experienced domestic peace, financial order, political conciliation and economic progress. Even so, Paez learned that politics is not as tranquil as military activities; factions, politics, civil upsets and trouble with his old friend Santander kept the pot boiling.

Once Paez and Bolívar planned on using South American forces, plus Mexican aid, to free Puerto Rico and Cuba. Through Henry Clay, the United States voiced disapproval of a change of status in the Caribbean. This news was received bitterly by the South American patriots.

Paez was loved by his men as a father for his strength and loved by them as a son for his weaknesses. He often fell from his horse in epileptic seizures. A man of contrast, he learned to write in war, to play the violincello, in politics, and brought the first symphony to Caracas. Late in life his *llanero* friends addressed him, saying "General, you are our country."

In 1863 he went to New York, and there wrote his autobiography, which was published between 1867-69. He died in New York on May 7, 1873 and fifteen years later his remains were taken to the Pantheon in Caracas. He was held in high esteem by Colombia, Peru, and Argentina, as well as in his native Venezuela.

Under a law of 1857, two coins bearing his portrait were authorized. A peso dated 1863 showed his bust, and read, CIUDADANO ESCLARECIDO, and on the reverse the value, in silver. Also 1863, a bronze two-centavo coin bore on the obverse his portrait, facing left with CIUDADANO ESCLARECIDO; on the reverse, REPUBLICA DE VENEZUELA, 2 CENTAVOS 1863 in a wreath. This coin was 30 millimeters in diameter.

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**Uncurrent (worn out) U. S. coins withdrawn** from circulation and returned to the Philadelphia and Denver Mints during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1958, were 11,670,172 one cent pieces, 2,049,175 five cent pieces, 4,637,714 dimes, 3,300,904 quarters, 826,717 half dollars, 190,531 standard silver dollars. These pieces have been melted and recoined.

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### Favorite Coin

My favorite coin is the Lincoln cent.  
This coin is the most used and spent.  
For the minters knew when into circulation it went,  
The humble coin would best represent  
Our honorable tribute to the sixteenth President.  
Nineteen hundred nine the first were made  
Then on past a few decades.  
And in this 1959 we dedicate  
Not only the changing of the fiftieth date,  
But that Mr. Lincoln shall have a new mate.

— DOUGLAS KOENIG, Age 13½  
1400 Seventy-fourth St. No.  
St. Petersburg, Fla.



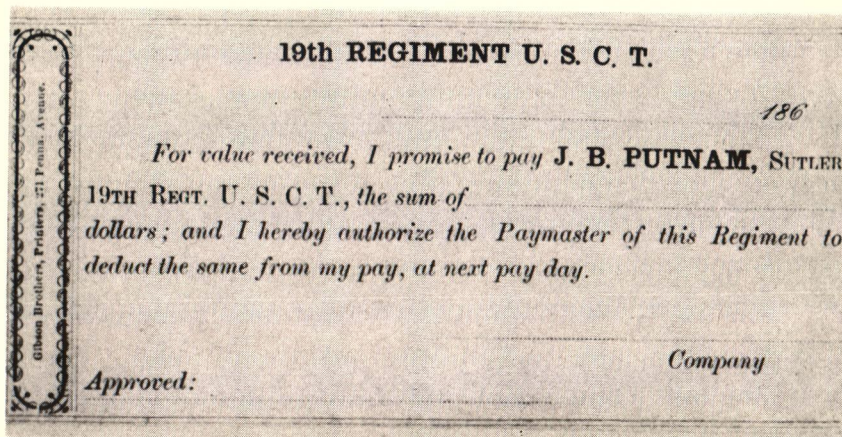
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A Supplemental Listing with Other Related Issues

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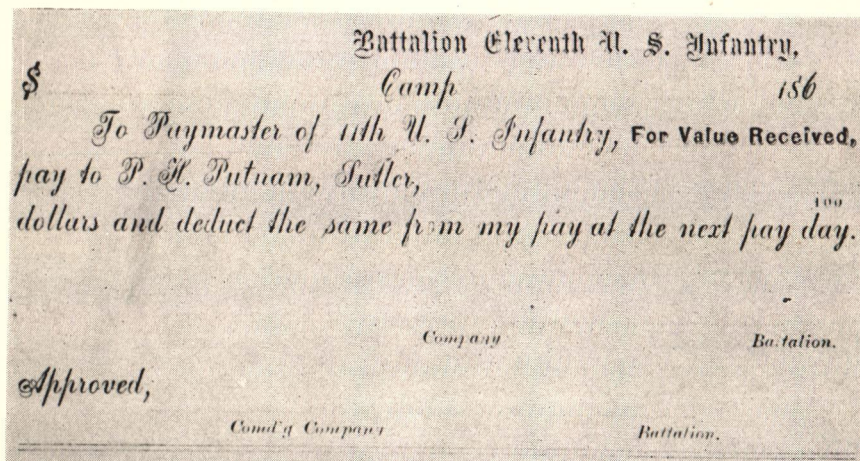
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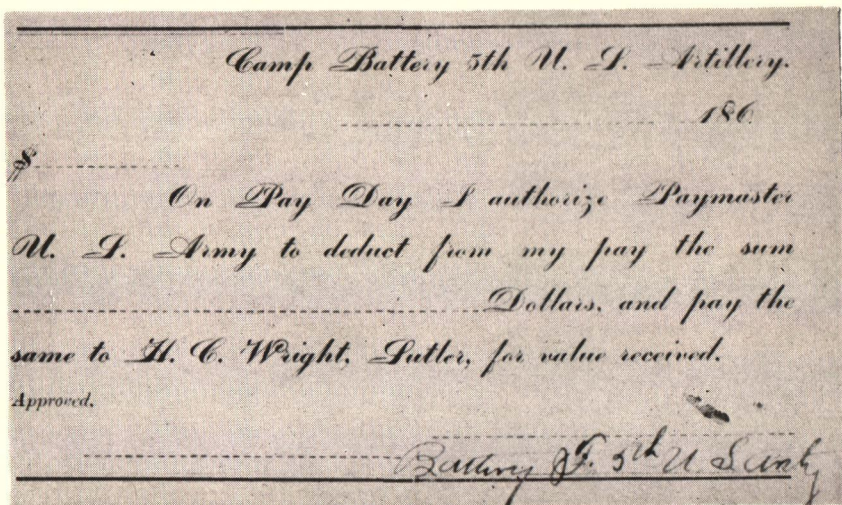
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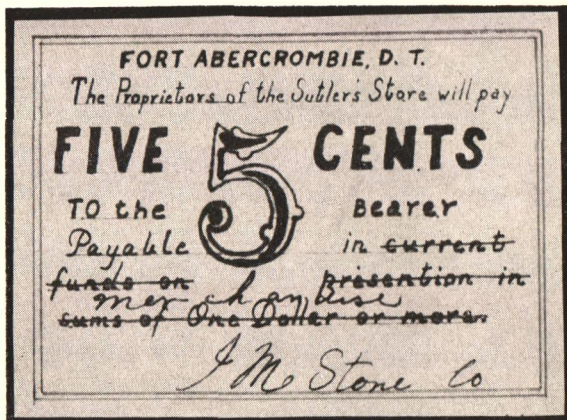
S81 P. H. PUTNAM — SUTLER — BATTALION 11TH. U.S. INFANTRY. A paymaster's order. Approx. 3" x 5".

- S82 ARMY MISS. — S. K. SMITH — 25 CENTS. Dark blue on light tan paper. Approx.  $2\frac{1}{8}$ " x  $4\frac{1}{2}$ ".



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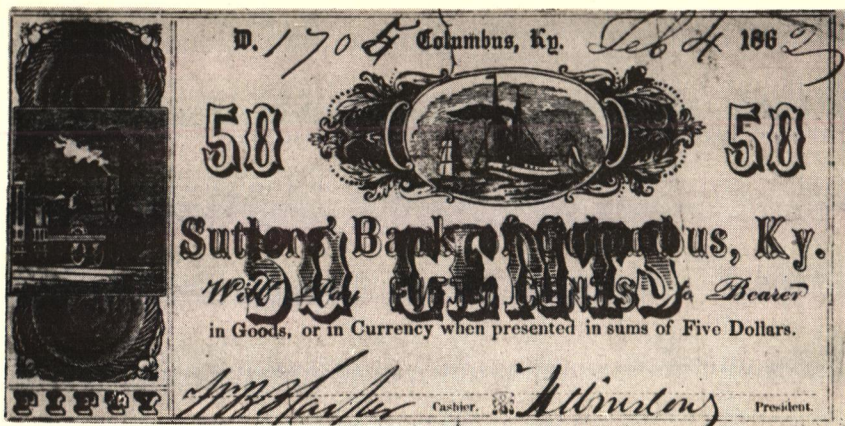
- S83 H. C. WRIGHT, SUTLER — CAMP BATTERY 5TH, U.S. ARTILLERY. A paymaster's order. Approx. 3" x 5".



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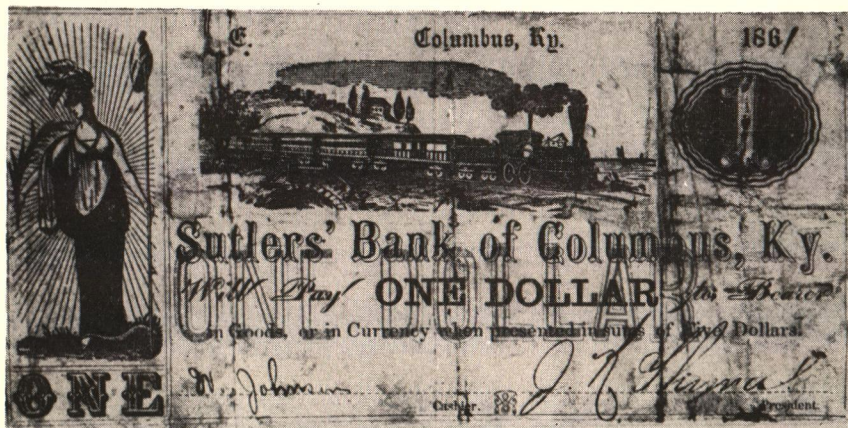
- S84 I. M. STONE & CO. — FORT ABERCROMBIE, D.T. Blue on white paper. Approx. 2" x  $2\frac{3}{4}$ ".
- S84 SUTLER'S STORE — FORT ABERCROMBIE, DAKOTA TERR. — 5 CENTS.





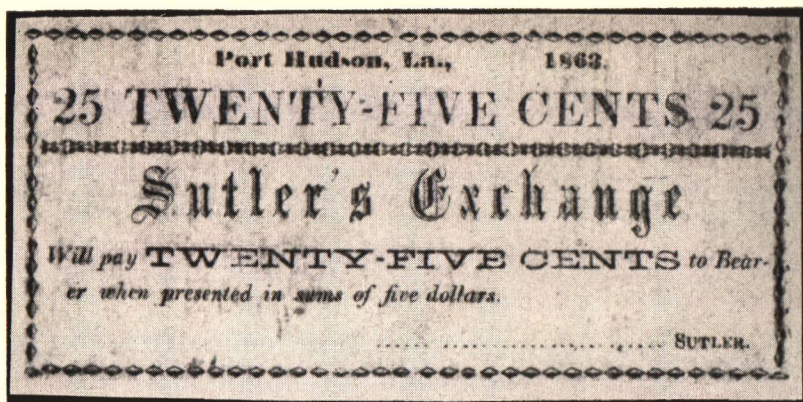
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- S85 SUTLERS' BANK OF COLUMBUS, KENTUCKY — 50 CENTS. Red and black on white. Approx.  $2\frac{3}{4}$ " x  $5\frac{1}{4}$ ".



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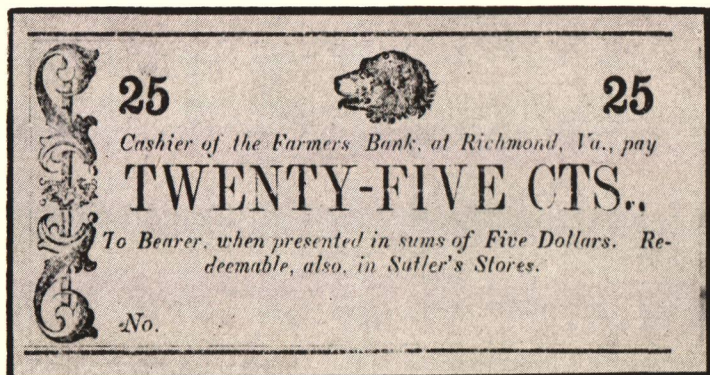
- S86 SUTLERS' BANK OF COLUMBUS, KENTUCKY — ONE DOLLAR. Red and black on white. Approx.  $2\frac{3}{4}$ " x  $5\frac{1}{4}$ ".



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S87 SUTLER'S EXCHANGE — PORT HUDSON, LA. — 25 CENTS. Approx.  
2" x 4 1/8".

S88 50 CENTS — Similar.



S89

S89 FARMERS BANK — RICHMOND, VA. — 25 CENTS. Black on bluish  
paper. Approx. 1 7/8" x 3 3/4". (Note: Redeemable in Sutler's Stores.)

S90 JACKSON'S BRIGADE COMMISSARY — 50 CENTS. Dated June 14,  
1862. Lot No. 523 — Auction catalog by John W. Haseltine for auction  
of April 24 and 25, 1878.

S91 1ST. REG'T. N.J.V. — 10 CENTS, dated 1861. Lot No. 763 — Auction  
catalog by John W. Haseltine for auction of April 24 and 25, 1878.

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## Jack Benny Honored by Coin Club

Jack Benny, long time thirty-nine-year-old funnyman of stage, screen and air, returned to his native Waukegan, Ill., on the occasion of the



**Ross Kirby, President of the Lake County Coin Club, center, watches as Jack Benny, left, receives the engrossed resolution from Al Hall. (Photo courtesy of the Waukegan Sun)**

latter's hundredth birthday. The Lake County Coin Club paid tribute to the famous comedian with the following resolution engrossed on parchment:

WHEREAS, the City of Waukegan is celebrating its one hundredth anniversary during the year 1959; and,

WHEREAS, the Lake County Coin Club, as part of its contribution to the Centennial Celebration, wishes to honor one of Waukegan's citizens who has greatly contributed to the Ancient and Honorable Art of Numismatics, to wit: the collection of Coins; and,

WHEREAS, Waukegan is fortunate in that one of its most famous sons, and certainly its favorite son, is also a nationally known accumulator and collector – not to say hoarder – of Coin; and,

WHEREAS, said favorite son has again taken time out of his busy schedule and away from the pursuit of such elusive Coin, rare and otherwise, in order to visit said City during its Shining Hour; and,

WHEREAS, said favorite son is well known to have the finest fireproof, burglarproof, mothproof, and waterproof Vault in the World – ideal for protection and storage of Coin (some small part of which it is hoped might some day be made available to the coin collectors of America for protection and storage of numismatic items); and,

WHEREAS, it is most fitting that said favorite son now finally be given just recognition by the brother Numismatists of his home Town and County for his singular and honorable demonstration of the Love of Coins;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED: That JACK BENNY, Waukegan's favorite son, is hereby made an HONORARY MEMBER OF THE LAKE COUNTY COIN CLUB; That

said HONORARY MEMBERSHIP shall entitle the holder thereof to all privileges of regular membership WITHOUT PAYMENT of DUES; That said Honorary Membership shall be NON-ASSESSIBLE; That the said JACK BENNY shall also be presented with certain Permanent, Valuable, and Tangible mementos of said Honorary Membership, to wit:

One Uncirculated 1920 Cent to commemorate the year of his birth;  
One 1959 Waukegan Centennial Wooden Nickel; and  
One 1959 United States Proof Set, as a further reminder of Waukegan's Centennial Year.

Adopted by the members of the Lake County Coin Club in meeting assembled this second day of June, A.D., 1959.

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## Obituary

O. L. HARVEY, A.N.A. 18249

Obie Lorn (O.L.) Harvey, born November 21, 1894, near Bolivar, Missouri. Moved with his mother and father to Vinita, Oklahoma at the age of 15 years, where he completed his grade school education.

He entered World War I, June, 1918, and received honorable discharge in January, 1919.

He was married at Vinita, Oklahoma, May 15, 1920, to Miss Veda Ricks. To this union were born one son and two daughters. The son preceded Mr. Harvey in death in November of 1957.

Mr. Harvey was employed by a railway company at Vinita, after leaving the armed forces until he moved to Seminole, Oklahoma in 1928 where he was employed by the Carter Oil Company. In 1929 he formed his own Oilfield Trucking business in which he continued until his death May 12, 1959.

He started collecting gold and silver coins as a young man. This hobby he persued avidly until his death. He attended the National Coin Conventions each year, usually accompanied by his wife and two of his granddaughters.

Mr. Harvey was a member of the American Numismatic Association, The American Legion, and a 32nd degree Mason in good standing.

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### ANSWERS

1. A silver coin issued in Brunswick, dated 1538, 1545, and 1546. On obverse was the symbolic lion of Brunswick; rev. a figure of Christ rising from the grave of death. Coin's name: Schmalkaldischer bundesthaler. It has a shorter nickname: Auferstehungsthaler! M.V.S.

2. Coins struck from melted brass of old cannon in the reign of England's James II when he was plotting in Ireland to retake the throne from his brother-in-law, William of Orange. These pieces show a mounted James and the national arms of four crowned shields placed crossways with a crown in center. M.V.S.

3. They are most interesting tokens of Canada, so-called because they display on obverse an odd bouquet made up of strands of wheat, Scotch thistles, shamrocks, oak leaves, maple leaves and a rose or two. There are altogether around 50 varieties. M.V.S.

4. These are known as the Duseaman sous, the "Belleville" inscribed on this token is in the State of New Jersey. It is claimed as Canadian because of the bouquet on the obverse and also because this variety circulated in Canada. M.V.S.



# CALENDAR MEDALS AND STORE CARDS

By

MELVIN AND GEORGE FULD

Continued from June, 1959

## N. WI. 2 - WILLEM V - 1767

OBVERSE - Bust facing right, below floral ornaments. Around WILLEM. PR VAN ORAN.



REVERSE - ES HEEREM AMSTERDAMSE ALMANACK \* VOOR. HET JAAR ON around. In center a calendar of seven columns and six lines; in lower right corner VISSER FECIT. Above calendar \*\*1767\*\*. Ornaments on three sides of calendar.

Size 23. Metals - copper and brass (Woodward 2882), nickel-plated and white metal; also cast in lead (Woodward 2883). Mentioned in Forrer, Vol. VI, p. 287.

## N. WI. 3 - WILKIN, W. - 1896

OBVERSE - Around edge SIR W. WILKIN, LORD MAYOR OF LONDON \* 1895-1896\*. Bust in center to left.



REVERSE - In center 1896 in circle around this THE ARM ANNI AUT. STAMPING CO. LTD. 57 HATTON GARDEN LONDON. E. C. Above PAY-DAY CALENDAR / SATURDAY'S ONLY. Then is listed the Saturdays in months as follows - FEB. AUG. / MAY / OCT. / JAN. APR. JUL. / SEP. DEC. / JUNE / MAR. NOV./

Size 24. Metal - aluminum. Plain edge.

# N. WI. 4 - WINKELMANS - 1776

OBVERSE - Above in three lines 1776 / CALENDR ANNUEL / TABLE DES DIMANCHES. Below LES CENTRES 21 FEURIER / DAQUE 7 AVRIL / PENTECO . 26 MAI. At left I DIMANCH DE L'AVEN DEC I / LETT DOMINICAL G F / NOMB D'OR. 10. In center calendar of six lines and seven rows. In lower right corner WINCKELMANS / A BRUSSELLE.



REVERSE - At right M:T IMPERAT: / NE 13 MAI 1717 / COURO: RE DE HONG. . EN 1741. Below JOSEPH II NE 13 MARS 1741 / COURO . R . DESROM: / EN 1763. At left CHA: ALEXAN: NE 12 DEC 1712 / GOUV. GENE . DES P BEN / 1744. At top DADE DIE VI / BRASCHI NE A CESENE. / 27 DEC 1717 ELU 15 FEV. 1775. In center full moons and half moon listings in twelve rows and four columns.

Size 24. Metal - brass. Plain edge.

# N. WO. 1 - WORK - 1892

OBVERSE - WORLD / WANTS / WORK / WONDERS /.



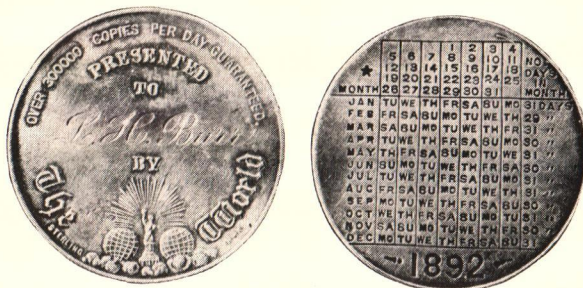
REVERSE - A calendar for 1892. Sixteen rows and nine columns. Below 1892 / COPYRIGHTED / A hard rubber flan with OB and RX printed on enameled paper white on black.

Size 24. Hard rubber. FR 475.



## N. WO. 2 - WORLD, THE - 1892

OBVERSE - Above in three lines OVER 300000 COPIES PER DAY GUARANTEED. / PRESENTED / TO. Engraved L. H. BURR. Below in two lines BY / THE WORLD. At the lower edge STERLING H-K; centered at the bottom is the Statue of Liberty with picture of globe on either side.

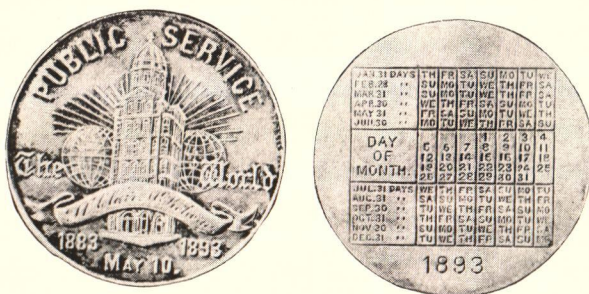


REVERSE - All lettering incused. A calendar of 17 lines and nine columns. Below - 1892 -.

Size 23. Metal - silver. Plain edge.

## N. WO. 3 - WORLD, THE - 1893

OBVERSE - Above PUBLIC SERVICE. In the center divided by illustration of building with a globe on either side THE WORLD. Below engraved on ribbon ST. CLAIR McKELWAY. At bottom in two lines 1883 1893 / MAY 10. Incused on right THE WORLD; edge "STERLING."



REVERSE - All lettering incused. In center a calendar of 17 lines and eight columns. Below 1893.

Size 23. Metal - silver. Plain edge.

#### N. WO. 4 – WORLD, THE – 1894

OBVERSE – Above PUBLIC SERVICE. In the center divided by illustration of building with a globe on either side THE WORLD. Below engraved on ribbon J. SLOANE. At bottom 1894.



REVERSE – All lettering incused. Above CALENDAR; below 1894. On the right COPYRIGHTED 1892. In center a calendar of 17 lines and eight columns. At base of calendar COIN SILVER.

Size 23. Metal – silver. Plain edge.

The above three medals are all pocket presentation medals suitably engraved. They form an unusual set.

#### N. WO. 5 – WORLD'S, THE

OBVERSE – \*THE WORLD'S SOUVENIR\* SET YEARLY & TWICE LEAP YEAR CALENDAR.

REVERSE – CHICAGO BURNED \* OCT. 8th 1871/ \* CHICAGO IN 1890 POPULATION 1,000,000\* In circle THIS/ WILL CURE/ RHEUMATISM,/ CARRY IT DAILY/ PRICE 50 CENTS/ – • – / BY MAIL EVERY WHERE / •./• \* / ADDRESS PATENTEE / \*AGENTS WANTED.

Size 30. Metal – aluminum. H. Storer 4570.

Since the discovery of the following token, N.WO.6, with the very similar wording to the preceding piece, it may be assumed that N.WO.5 was published by W. W. Kitchen. There is a distinct probability that Storer's piece (it was in his personal collection) might have been missing the central disc of brass or copper.

#### N. WO. 6 – WORLD'S, THE – 1891

OBVERSE – \*THE WORLD'S SOUVENIR\* SET YEARLY & TWICE LEAP YEAR. Inside the outer inscription, in three concentric circles, are the months of the year, numbered from A to G. In the center is a movable brass disc which is identical to N.K1.2 The inscription in five lines reads PAT. DEC. '91 / BY / W. W. KITCHEN / ROCKFORD, / ILLS.

REVERSE – Around \*CHICAGO BURNED OCT. 8TH 1871 \*CHICAGO IN 1890 POPULATION 1,100,000. In center in 10 lines -- / GOD HELPING ME / I WILL SHUN STRONG / DRINK. AND ADVISE / OTHERS TO DO SO / -\*. / SOUVENIRS BY MAIL. / • / AGENTS WANTED. / SEE PAT-ENTEE'S ADDRESS.

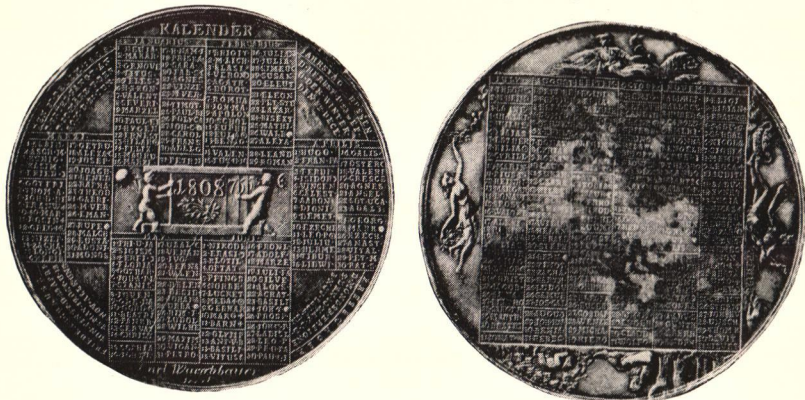
Size 30. Metal – aluminum and brass. Plain edge.

#### N. WU. 1 – WURSCHBAUER, C. – 1808

OBVERSE – In center 1808 on plaque held by two figures. The calendar is for January through June by dates of each month. Each day has a sur-



name behind the date. At top KALENDAR, below CARL WURSCHBAUER. In each of four quadrants is the date of the beginning of each season.



REVERSE – In center is the continuation of the months July through December, as on obverse. On the four quadrants are scenes depicting the four seasons; signed in right quadrant CARLSBURG.

Size 33. Metal – silver. Plain edge.

As mentioned under N.GU.1, Wurschbauer copied the medal of Guille-mard almost exactly.

### N. WU. 2 – WURSCHBAUER, C. – 1813

OBVERSE – In center Janiform busts of Jupiter and Venus on a pedestal. On the pedestal is the date 1813. On the base of the pedestal is the signature C. WURSCHBAUER FEC. Around central medallion are the months JANUARIUS FEBRUARIUS MARTIUS APRILIS MAIUS JUNIUS. In concentric circles are the months with a surname for each day.

REVERSE – In central medallion a nude man is lifting a stone uncovering a sword. Above is name THESEUS. Around medallion in circle are the months JULIUS AUGUSTUS SEPTEMBER OCTOBER NOVEMBER DECEMBER. In concentric circles are the second six months with a surname for each day.

Size 33. Metal – silver. Plain edge.

This piece is apparently the one referred to by Leonard Forrer (see appendix). Whether the piece authorized by the government in 1807, is N.WU.1 or whether a piece dated 1808 exists cannot yet be determined.

### N. WU. 3 – WURTTEMBERG – 1810

OBVERSE – Obverse of a Wurttemberg thaler; shield with coat of arms; below, 1810.



REVERSE – Days of the week engraved on the outer edge in seven segments. The center part of the is routed out, engraved and reinserted with a

silver screw. This piece is engraved in five lines in seven segments aligned with the days of the week.

Size 25. Metal – silver. Lettered edge.

#### P. 12. 1

OBVERSE – In three concentric circles around CALENDARIUM PERPETUUM / THE DAY THE NIGHT / SUNRISE SUNSET. Through two openings is visible a movable center inscribed in four concentric circles with radial lines; outer circle JAN FEB MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT NOV DEC with numbers of the month one through 31.



REVERSE – In seven lines so as to read through an opening in the edge SUNDAY / MONDAY / TUESDAY / WEDNESDAY / THURSDAY / FRIDAY / SATURDAY. Before each day a symbol. Movable piece in center inscribed with numbers from one to 31, so that they can be aligned with day of week.

Size 12. Equipped with loop holder. Metals – Movable parts, brass; stationary, white metal.

A very unusual piece about which nothing is known. It is a small replica of the German piece EWIGER KALDENDER No. P.16.2.

#### P. 12. 2

OBVERSE – In three concentric circles around EVERLASTING CALENDER / THE DAY THE NIGHT / SUNRISE SUNSET. Through two openings is visible a movable center inscribed in four concentric circles with radial lines; outer circle JAN FEB MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT NOV DEC with the number of days in each month.

REVERSE – Identical inscription to reverse of P.12.1.

Size 12. Equipped with loop holder. Metals – movable parts, brass; stationary, steel.

This piece is very similar to P.12.1, but the obverse inscription varies slightly.

#### P. 12. 3

OBVERSE – In three concentric circles EVIGHETS \* KALENDER \* (calendar for eternal) / DAGEN NATTEN / (day night) UPPCAN NEDGAN / (sunrise sunset). Through two openings are seen months with five dates in four concentric circles, the upper is the month. JAN 31 9 7 / 15 4 // FEB 28 10 7 / 14 5 // MAR 31 12 6 / 12 6 // APR 30 14 5 / 10 7 // MAY 31 15 11 / 9 7 // JUN 30 16 4 / 8 8 // JUL 31 15 4 / 9 7 // AUG 31 14 5 / 18 7 // SEP 30 12 6 / 12 6 // OCT 31 10 7 / 14 5 // NOV 39 9 7 / 15 4 // DEC 31 8 8 / 16 4 // .



REVERSE – In seven lines the days of the week in SONDAG / MÖNDAG / TISDAG / ONSDAG / TORSDAG / FREDAG / LÖRDAG /; through opening is days of the month one through 31.

Size 12½ Metals – movable parts brass; stationary, steel. Equipped with a loop holder.

This piece is similar to P.12.2 with the exception that words are in Swedish.

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## PACIFIC NORTHWEST MEETING

Several hundred enthusiastic coin collectors assembled at the Davenport Hotel in Spokane, Wash. for the sixteenth annual convention of the Pacific Northwest Numismatic Association May 22-24. Delegates registered from California, Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana, Utah, British Columbia, Alberta, and from as far away as Scotts Bluff, Nebr., Council Bluffs, Iowa, and Union, N. J.

Donald L. Rhodes of Vallejo, Calif. conducted the auction of 647 lots, with very good prices being realized on almost every lot. The thirty bourse tables did a lively business.

The exhibits evoked much favorable comment. Award for best U.S. display went to Roy Geil, Kingston, Wash., who showed U.S. gold in a most attractive manner. Young Robert Barkley, Seattle, received the award ribbon for most originality in display. Grand award of show went to Luther Essick, Spokane, for his outstanding exhibit of Biblical coins.

First place winners, in addition to the top three awards, were: U.S. gold, Albert Garlinghouse, Seattle; U.S. silver dollars and halves, W. H. Lepick, Moscow, Idaho; U.S. silver commemoratives, Jack Rand, Tacoma; U.S. minor coins, Bill Cavens, Sedro-Wooley, Wash.; U.S. mint sets and type sets, Bill Craner, St. Maries, Idaho; U.S. colonial, Carl Olander, Seattle; foreign gold, Mrs. Albert Garlinghouse, Seattle; foreign crowns and thalers, C. C. Saeman, Seattle; foreign single country, Harry Hawkins, Springfield, Ore.; foreign specialized, Mrs. J. C. L'Herault, Calgary, Alberta; foreign miscellaneous, Mrs. Alice Barger, Seattle; tokens, John C. Naccarato, Spokane; odd and curious money, Luther Essick, Spokane; novelties, Mrs. T. H. Abney, Seattle; ancient and medieval coins, Luther Essick, Spokane; medals, orders, and decorations, Jack Rand, Tacoma; novice, Mrs. Howard Glickert, Seattle; U.S. paper money, Edward L. Kozisek, Spokane; and foreign paper money, Robert V. Alexander, Spokane.

A complimentary bus tour of Spokane, and an afternoon guest tea for delegates who wished to participate, were provided by the convention host, Inland Empire Coin Club of Spokane. Both were well attended.

Prominent throughout the convention activities, were the be-whiskered gentlemen delegates from the Portland area, who were providing a picturesque preview of the special styles of hirsute finery widespread in that city during Oregon's centennial celebration this summer. During the buffet banquet hour, genial, hard-working A.N.A. convention General Chairman William N. Worth of Portland introduced many of his fellow committeemen to the assembled PNNA delegates and issued a most cordial invitation for everyone present to also attend the A.N.A. convention in Portland, Ore. August 26-29.

At the annual business meeting the following were elected to serve during this next year: Charles Speight, Springfield, Ore., president; Jack Rand, Tacoma, vice president; Mrs. T. H. Abney, Seattle, secretary; William N. Worth, Portland, treasurer. Board members are John C. Bushnell, McMinnville, Ore.; Mrs. Robert V. Alexander, Spokane; Howard Glickert, Seattle; Miss Irene Smith, Vancouver, B. C., and Jack Koch, Moses Lake, Wash. Homer C. Cardle of Spokane served as convention chairman for 1959. John Bushnell is the retiring president. — MRS. ROBERT V. ALEXANDER

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**Issue of "Heavy" Franc in France** — The French Minister of Finance has decided that for banknotes of higher denominations the new "heavy" franc should be put into circulation July 15. Current notes of F 500, F 1,000, F 5,000, and F 10,000 will be overprinted with the figures 5, 10, 50, and 100, respectively. Shopkeepers who mark their goods at the "new" franc prices must also show the prices expressed in current francs, to ensure conversion at parity.



## RUSSIAN PLATINUM AND GOLD



An exhibition of Russian gold and platinum coins and medals from the famed Grand Duke Mikhailovitch collection has been on view recently in the Fifth Third Union Trust Co. of Cincinnati. Guards attired in cossack uniforms were on duty. A preview was held for the press, bank directors and selected customers. Beginning in September, parts of this collection will be shown in banks and similar institutions throughout the country, according to Cincinnati dealer Sol Kaplan.

## Club News

The first meeting of **Lawndale Coin Club** was held Sunday June 21 with 23 members present. Officers are Carl Grall, president; Carl Quigley, vice-president; George Thomas, treasurer; James Hull, secretary. Meetings will be held 2:00 p.m. on the third Sunday of each month at the Optimist Club, 15628 Hawthorne Blvd., Lawndale, Calif. For any information write the club, P. O. Box 32, Lawndale. Visitors are welcome.—JAMES F. HULL, Secretary.

Pres. Charles Colver called to order the 133rd meeting of the **San Bernardino County Coin Club** July 16, Vets Hall, San Bernardino, Calif. There were approximately 100 present. The program consisted of a panel of our own members, and each one spoke on the following subjects: Fred Coops — Housing of Coins; John Yribarne — Grading of Coins; Lloyd Blue — Paper Money; Ben Coons — Type Sets; Dr. Emmons — Tokens and Medals; Sylvia Novack — Women Collectors.—SYLVIA NOVACK, Rec. Sec.

At **Waco Heart O' Texas Coin Club** meeting June 25, President L. L. Edmonds spoke on "What Gives a Coin Numismatic Value?" Mention was made of three important considerations: condition, supply or quantity available, the present demand.—KALVART TIDWELL, Corresponding Sec.

A talk on "Common and Unnecessary Errors Made by Coin Collectors," was given by a junior member, Gregory Kastl, at the June 14 meeting of the **Billings Coin Club**. The club decided to dispense with informal coin auctions, after the final auction was held Sunday. Approximately 35 members and guests were present. A talk on transitional coins was given by Edwin Wilson at the June 25 meeting. The final auction was held after the meeting. We also plan a display of coins for the fair in August.—BEATRICE MCSWEYN, Sec.

At the Waukegan, Ill., Centennial June 19-27, the **Lake County Coin Club** had an exhibit of American coins showing types from 1793 to date, including paper money, in the Citizen National Bank. The bank had a copy of a \$3 Ill. bill issued in conjunction with its fifty years of service. All visitors to the exhibit received one of them (4000 given out). The exhibit was the work of Les Hanula and R. H. Rosholm. Every club member furnished at least one coin for the exhibit. Time was also given on the radio and space in the newspapers. President Ross Kirby and Al Hall presented Jack Benny an honorary membership in the L.C.C.C. and started his collection with a 1920 cent, two wooden "nickels" and a proof set. (According to Benny he



is only 39 years old, 1920 being his birth year.) There are three different wooden nickels which may be had for 15¢ and reprint \$3 bill may be had by sending a large, stamped, self-addressed envelope to R. H. Rosholm, 1211 W. Clinton Ave., Round Lake, Ill.

The **Tri-State Coin Club** sponsors a two-day "convention" September 11 and 12, at the John Sevier Hotel, Johnson City, Tenn. It is planned to organize a regional numismatic association and all interested are urged to be present. There will be two auction sessions including mail bids, catalog available on request. The event will feature exhibits, door prizes and bourse tables. For information contact B. C. Sayers, Jr., Chairman, 1000 E. Unaka Ave., Johnson City, Tenn. — STANLEY CARLANDS, Sec.

The **Kokomo Coin Club's** second annual exhibit is September 19 and 20, YMCA, 200 E. Walnut St., Kokomo, Ind. Bourse and exhibits are features, with admission free. Write Noel Hutchens, Sec., 1109 N. Wabash, Kokomo, for added details.

At the July meeting of the **Oak Park Coin Club**, members were treated to seeing Newell slides on U. S. paper money. Glenn Smedley narrated the slides, and there were several lively discussions concerning the bills, and their histories. On display were: Unc. fractional currency, Fr. No. 1228, perforated; Fr. No. 1291; Fr. No. 1236, specimen, and Fr. No. 1242, uncut strip of 4. Don Dethlefsen; 1943 copper cent, tested and believed genuine, William Benzinger; complete set unc. small cents 1857-1959, Bill Dunihue; Confederate facsimiles \$1-\$100, Earl Salisbury; freak cents, Zig Florczak; gold coin of Byzantine Empire, V. Katsigiannis; sheet of music, titled, "How Are You Greenbacks?" published between 1862-1867, Glenn B. Smedley; small gold certificates, price list for commemorative coins, published in the mid-'30s, 1787 Connecticut cent, foreign coins and tokens of late colonial period, Fred Catalano; Legal Tender notes, silver certificates, national bank notes, Harry Flower. — MARY E. HARRIS, Sec.

July 1 was the meeting of the **Brooklyn Coin Club** at the Hotel Granada. The theme of the evening was German notgeld and was dedicated to the late authority on the subject, O. P. Eklund. The best exhibit prize went to Bill Wild for his early colonials. Runners-up were Michael Granis, odd and curious; Michael McDougal, 1892 South African proof set; Max Kaplan, medals of Anne Frank, Pope John XXIII and Pope Pius XII. Other exhibitors were Frank Porcaro, notgeld; Rev. Frank Hutchins, Canadian coins; Emil Voigt, Mexican peso 1959; Ed Schuman, 1795 half eagle trial piece, postage currency patterns; Frank Favino, 1942/1 dimes; Jack Feinstein, Irving Vengrove, U.S. coins; Oscar Susskind, foreign coins; Wm. Anton, New Jersey bank notes; Tony Sebro, U.S. coins; Morris Braum, crowns; Boris Wishy, Mexican peso and 8-reales. — J. A. BROWN, Rec. Sec.

The July meeting of the **Neosho Valley Coin Club** had an attendance of 33. Lewis M. Reagan, A.N.A. General Secretary, was the speaker. He exhibited old paper money of odd denominations.

This club is now A.N.A. No. 33933. — MRS. LEROY BARKER, Publicity Chairman.

At the July meeting of the **Monterey Park Coin Club** we learned that our auction of donated coins to send a child to summer camp had been a success. Meetings will be on the first Monday of the month at the American Legion Hall, 338 S. Ramona, Monterey Park, Cal. Displays included a type set of 25¢ and 50¢ by Walter Holzworth, Louisiana Purchase medal by Alva Christensen, Columbian Exposition medal by Ethel Stone, complete set of Mercury dimes from circulation by Paul Schymos, a map of South America with coins of each country attached to their respective countries by the eleven-year-old son of Walter Holzworth. — VERA SCHYMOs, Cor. Sec.

The **Philadelphia Coin Club** met July 21 in the new Traffic club rooms at the Benjamin Franklin Hotel. Several discussed the arrangements and functions of the coming Middle Atlantic convention to be held in Atlantic City in October. The entertainment consisted of an excellent talk and exhibit by Harris Aller. The subject was his recent trip through Europe and his experiences while acquiring gold coins for his collection. — BYRON M. HOKE, Sec.

There were 29 present at the July meeting of the **Bergen County Coin Club**. After a short business meeting refreshments were served and some fine exhibits were available for viewing, including a collection of mechanical banks, a complete set of commemorative coins including the minor gold, a collection of New Jersey national bank notes, and a 1959 nickel struck on a copper planchet.

The 252nd meeting of the **Orange County Coin Club** was held June 24, at Brea, Calif., with President Hogue presiding. Walter Holzworth, "Collector of the Month," displayed U. S. type sets and miscellaneous coins of the world which had been arranged with the help of his 11-year-old son. Dr. Verner G. Rich, a club past president, spoke on "Chou Dynasty of China and Its Coinage. 1022 B.C. to about 311 B.C." After presenting a historical sketch of earlier Chinese dynasties, the speaker drew pictures, after the Chinese fashion, of the area ruled by the Chou dynasty. He also described how the use of money and the art of coinage was developed with the backing of trade unions by the dynasty. Samples of these coins ranged from the earliest spade and knife money to the later burial tokens and temple pieces. As an added attraction, Dr. Rich brought with him from his extensive oriental collection: a set of swords and wicked looking spears which were used by the natives during the Boxer rebellion. — HERB BERGEN, Sec.

Present at the July 15 meeting of the **Garfield Coin & Stamp Club** was Harold D. Allen of Montreal. He showed slides and discussed paper money of various countries and agencies, as Hudson's Bay Co. notes, U.S. currency. He also displayed paper currency. Joseph K. Mas-saro showed a frame of current coins of South Africa and coins and paper money of Switzerland. — JOSEPH K. MAS-SARO, Sec.

The July 9 meeting of the **New Jersey Numismatic Society** was held at the Military Park Hotel, President Oechsner presiding. A bill to strike medals on



New Jersey's tricentennial is now before Congress and was discussed. Canadian currency and women's hair styles were exhibited. H. D. Allen of Montreal spoke on "Turn Your Eyes Northward," indicating that now is a good time to get into Canadian coins, bargains still existing in that field. His exhibit consisted of world paper money; J. A. Brown, mechanical banks; Fred Reiss, U.S. paper money and certificates; H. M. Oechsner, ancient Roman coins bearing portraits of women; J. P. Ward, California fractional gold coins; C. G. Altz, Japanese pieces; George Wait, German notgeld. — J. A. BROWN, Sec.-Treas.

The **Galveston County Coin Club** will hold its second annual Jamboree October 24, in the Civic Center at Fifth Ave. North and 21st St., North, Texas City, Texas. The meeting will continue from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. and will feature about a dozen bourse tables by prominent dealers and a number of outstanding exhibits. Auctions at 1 p.m. and 6 p.m. Free refreshments will be offered. Something of interest to all collectors is planned. For further information write to: Lawrence Granatelli, Chm., Kendall Albert, Co-Chm., 2010 13th Ave., N., Texas City, Texas.

**Southern Hub Coin Club** held its second anniversary meeting July 12 with 195 attending. Pres. McGee introduced Paul Newell, president of the **West Valley Coin Club** of Reseda. Joy and John Parrish had planned a most amusing program for the occasion. Mickey Finn, C.B.S. director and producer and Johnny Jacobs, Master of Ceremonies, presented a "Fun and Variety" show with audience participation. Margaret Moucheron was the featured Hawaiian dancer. Many interesting exhibits were displayed with trophies being given to Mrs. E. J. Barrett for best in show, Mrs. Grace Brainard first prize, Mrs. Thelma Case, second, Edith Patterson, third.

The **Tidewater Coin Club**, Norfolk, Va., will sponsor the first annual Virginia State Coin Club Convention. It is to be held at the Dunes Motor Hotel, September 12, at Virginia Beach, Va. All Virginia coin clubs are invited to participate. Plans include exhibits for prizes, auctions, meetings, trading sessions, bourse and a gala banquet. The program will last from 9:00 a.m. to midnight. Accommodations at the Dunes will allow wives and children of members attending to enjoy summer fun at winter rates. Non-affiliated collectors in surrounding states are cordially invited to attend. Information may be had from Bernard Drexler, 7147 Midfield St., Norfolk, Va.

At the June meeting of the **Kenosha Coin Club** Mr. and Mrs. Richard Yeoman of Racine were introduced. Mr. Yeoman, of the Whitman Publishing Co., presented slides and talked on the history of coins from 300 B.C. to the present. Eugene Arneson presented slides with tape recording on the history of coins from 700 B.C. until the time of Christ. Arneson displayed these coins.

At the July meeting commemorative halves were shown on slides. The club has a membership now of 43 paid-up members. — N. EMORY MISCHLER, Sec.

The **Washington Numismatic Society** had a very fine meeting July 6th in spite of the hot weather. An insurance expert presented the problems involved

in insuring a coin collection and recommended that the owner appraise his collection. If this is not feasible or is too costly, a carefully prepared list, with condition of coins indicated, is very essential. He also gave pointers on where to keep coins, especially when you are away on vacation. A substantial safe is the best place, next to that would be the attic or cellar, on the theory that a thief is usually looking for cash or jewelry, and will normally go through desks, bureaus, closets, etc., rather than out-of-the-way places. Our second speaker was Vice President Douglas who talked on the subject of disposal of coins with particular reference to estates. He indicated that collectors should indicate in their wills how the collection is to be disposed of to prevent its being sacrificed in settling the estate, or being disposed of by someone unfamiliar with its value. He also urged that estimates be obtained from more than one dealer before disposing of a collection, unless some arrangement is made for public auction. Knowing your dealer and having confidence in him is very important.

A bourse night was held on July 15th and many of the members had an opportunity to trade duplicates for coins they needed. A tour through the Bureau of Engraving and Printing on July 16th gave many an opportunity to learn more about the making of paper money. — CHARLES A. PETERS, Publicity.

At the July 17 meeting of **St. Petersburg (Florida) Coin Club** members had the opportunity to see the bronze Lincoln head cent dated 1943. Walter Breen, distinguished guest speaker, had the coin on display. He explained that in 1942 Congress passed an act calling for low carbon steel with a coating of zinc to be used for cents to conserve copper for the war. Nobody noticed that a few more copper blanks remained in the hopper that fed the coin presses. When the 1943 pieces were made, this one was too. Members also had the privilege of hearing another interesting speaker, Walter Oblesk. His topic was "Brandenburgs" and he had a complete collection on display. — BARBARA NIGHTINGALE, Sec.

At our July 7 meeting of the **Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society**, the following were on display: C. F. Gratz, Lincoln cent, smaller in diameter than usual, buffalo nickel, half thickness, reverse rough showing only faint outline of buffalo; Duane H. Feisel, transportation tokens, double-struck off center, buffalo nickel planchet incomplete, Lincoln cent planchet clips, 28 Roosevelt dimes with various die breaks; J. M. Kennedy, Geo. III Bank of England dollar, Geo. III Bank of England 1797 dollar token, 1797 half dollar; John S. Kachmar, 11 Pgh. medals, five Western Pa. medals; Meyer Goddy, 50 assorted freak U.S. coins, five counterfeits, trick nickel, 11 assorted South American coins, 1802 shilling, Greek token, trade dollar, 1873; Harry C. Bartley, coins of Netherlands, Netherlands India; Earl Coatsworth, U.S. small cents, 1856 to 1936, proof and unc.; Ray Byrne, U.S. cents, 1857 to 1959, unc. and proof, 1953 U.S. notes, red, orange, yellow seal, Pope John XXIII, 1958, 500 lire, 100 lire gold; Paul McBride Gillis, English medals, Victoria diamond anniversary, St. Paul's cathedral, W. Pitt, Geo. VI and Queen visit to Canada, cartwheel penny and half penny (unc.). — ROBERT A. LLOYD, Sec.-Treas.



At the June meeting of the **Toronto Coin Club**, 35 were present. Mr. Langille, president, was in the chair. It was decided to try a floor auction at the July meeting. The guest speaker, Bruce R. Brace, talked on coin hoards. His address brought out the significance and value of coin hoards to numismatics. He touched on the reasons for hoards, types and historical value. His reference to Gresham's law touched off an interesting debate, as other members contributed facts and anecdotes about the law. To most of the members this was something new. The meeting broke up at the conclusion of the regular table auction.

The July meeting was held in the Royal York Hotel. Upon payment of a fee, any member can now set up a bourse table at any regular meeting. For the past year or so good displays have been foregone, but some members and particularly guests have been disappointed by this. A chairman of exhibits, Rod Smith, was appointed. Some interesting displays in the future are expected. The first floor auction at a regular meeting was conducted and apparently was quite successful. — CHARLES KIRK, Sec.

The **Lincoln Coin Club** held its July 9 meeting at the Y.M.C.A., Lincoln, Neb. Roger Pabian exhibited United States coins, eighteenth century English tradesmen's token and Roman antoniniani. Elmer G. Nelson displayed Korean and Hawaiian coins, French patterns, foreign coins, ancient Roman, Greek and Byzantine gold, pioneer gold, broken bank notes and fractional currency. — ARNOLD L. HIGGINS.

The **Cleveland Coin Club** held its July 1 meeting in the Statler Hotel. Dorothy Humitsch spoke on Alaska. Her husband, Howard Humitsch, was stationed with the United States Army in Alaska during the war, and she made her home in Alaska also. She told us that Alaska is three times the size of Texas, that the temperature is sometimes 70, 80 and 90 degrees above zero, and then again 30, 50, and 70 degrees below zero. She displayed a flag of Alaska with gold coins in place of stars, a white bear rug, types of coins used when the United States purchased Alaska, gold nugget, fool's gold, gold dust, California gold, totem pole, and other art crafts. Carl Di Falco told us of a new medal of Alaska. Ronald Scholz displayed an 1879 proof set. Myron Sobotta displayed Scottish notes. Joe Lukas brought along a stamp box from the time of the Civil War. Millie Shunk displayed a funny novelty large size towel bearing a resemblance of a huge dollar bill. Dr. Y. A. Sargis displayed ancient coins with animal reverses. He also displayed stamps in connection with Alaska and gold. — MILLIE SHUNK, Sec.

The **Clark County Coin Club**, Springfield, Ohio, held its June 30th meeting in the Y.M.C.A. The big discussion of the evening was the club's first show and auction to be held October 2, 3, and 4. All activities, such as displays, bourse tables and banquet will be held at the Hotel Shawnee. Write directly to the hotel for reservations. General chairman is Joseph Meyer, 1521 Pythian Ave., Springfield, Ohio. Slides on fractional currency were shown by Kenneth Myers, while James Bird gave the accompanying descriptions. — MRS. EDNA MOORE, Reporter.

The **Detroit Coin Club** will celebrate its thirty-fifth anniversary and eight hundredth meeting with a two-day bourse at the Detroit-Leland Hotel, October 3-4, Detroit. The annual banquet will be held in the same place Saturday evening of that weekend. All collectors in the area are welcome to attend. Further information is available from Paul F. Schilling, 17304 Lahser Rd., Detroit 19, Mich.

The **Ohio Valley Coin Association** will hold its fall convention Sunday, September 20, at the Fort Steuben Hotel in downtown Steubenville, Ohio (corner Fourth and Washington streets) from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. There will be bourse tables, exhibits and displays. Prosper E. DeVos, Box 454, Carnegie, Pa., is general chairman with Zack Wyatt, Jr., 1308 Overlook Dr., Wlerton, W. Va., as co-chairman.

The **Victoria Numismatic Society** held a most interesting meeting on July 13 at the Victoria Art Gallery. Allan Klenman was in the chair. Interest was centered on the two 1921 silver five cent pieces that were auctioned. One was V.F. to Unc., sold for \$290; the other, in fine to V.F., sold for \$165. — D. BROWN, Acting Secretary

July 20 was bourse night at the regular meeting of the **Utah Numismatic Society**. Sixty-eight came to witness the many attractions at our famous meetings. Wendell Sanders gave a five-minute talk on his specialty, the Buffalo nickel. The "buy-of-the-month packets" were distributed by Norman Shultz, Art Winters, and Albert Olsen. They contained fifty bright uncirculated foreign coins for \$3.00. President Vaughan then unveiled the plaque of type coins which we are presenting to the people of Utah. It was approved by the members. Fred Zastrow, who prepared the plaque, was highly commended. Lincoln cents were popular in the bourse, as were scarce dates of uncirculated nickels. About twenty tables were occupied with exhibits. Chic Vaughan's table displayed ancient emperors and biblical coins and a dueling pistol.

The May meeting of the **Long Island Coin Club** had as its topic "The coin I like most and the coin I dislike most." The most popular coins were the early United States series and gold. The most disliked coins were the nickel series. Mickey McDougall likes Spanish doubloon best. As a child he dreamed of owning one after reading pirate stories and his dream has come true. Oscar Susskind's favorite coin is his latest acquisition. The coin Oscar dislikes most is the one offered him by a fellow collector at an inflated price because "he knows I want it badly." Tom Settle likes the early silver dollars and other early coins, especially those portraying women with long hair. Joe Salerno likes gold best. It gives him a feeling of security. He dislikes mint errors. Bob Jenove likes the \$20 Saint-Gaudens gold with high relief. Bob feels the Jefferson nickel is a poorly designed memorial to so versatile and talented a man as Jefferson. Although the likes of the members were quite definite and varied, most admitted they disliked no coins. Harold Schornstein announced that his paper exhibit that won an award at the New York Metropolitan convention in May may soon be placed in the Smithsonian Institution.



# General Secretary's Report

Applications numbered 33365-33656 as published in the June issue have been admitted to membership.

## APPLICANTS FOR MEMBERSHIP

The following applications were received in June, 1959. If there are no objections filed prior to September 1, 1959, these applicants will become members on that date and notice to this effect will appear in the September issue.

- 33940 **Henry L. Menendez**, Box 114, Harding Highway, Pennsgrove, N. J. Proof Sets and Rare Coins. Ernst Kraus.
- 33941 **George H. Dunlap**, 2026 County Club, Ames, Iowa. U. S. Coins. S. G. Klaus.
- 33942 **Homer C. Platt**, P.O. Box 164, Manchester, Iowa. General. S. G. Klaus.
- 33943 **Robert L. Reeder**, 2409 Chelton Road, Colorado Springs, Colo. Silver Dollars. Al J. Johnson.
- 33944 **Mrs. Annette B. Bratton**, P.O. Box 916, Crowley, La. General. Joe N. Anderson, Gene C. Thompson.
- 33945 **Andrew J. Morris**, P.O. Box 283, Steelton, Penn. Coins. J. P. H. DePass.
- 33946 **Michael D. Thomas**, 6872 Camrose Dr., Hollywood 28, Calif. U. S. General. Geo. M. Howard.
- 33947 **Peter Campbell**, Walla Theatre, Walhalla, N. Dak. General. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 33948 **J. M. Britzins**, Box 453, Three Forks, Mont. General. W. C. Schultz.
- 33949 **Leland J. Malloy**, 8201 S. Green St., Chicago 20, Ill. U. S. Coins. B. C. Sayers, Jr.
- 33950 **Mrs. William P. Quarles**, P.O. Box 928, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. General. R. C. Wilson, Jr.
- 33951 **William Winton**, 2865 Dandurand Blvd., S. Windsor, Ont., Canada. Canadian Coins. Earl C. Schill, Laurence Falater.
- 33952 **Earl W. Campfield**, 2333 N. 102 Street, Seattle 33, Wash. U. S. and Canadian Coins. B. C. Sayers, Jr.
- 33953 **Steven Sylvester Sampson**, 304 W. Main St., Abingdon, Va. General. B. C. Sayers, Jr.
- 33954 **William C. Dickson**, 12 Cranfield Road, Toronto 16, Ont., Canada. Canadian and Gold Only. M. Dworkin.
- 33955 **Geo. B. Schak**, 1330 Hewitt Ave., St. Paul 4, Minn. Cents-Dimes. Northwest Coin Club.
- 33956 **Harold A. Willis**, 611 Persia Ave., San Francisco 12, Calif. Cents and Nickels. Alvin E. Lobb.
- 33957 **Alfred D. Gilbert**, 519 S. Hindry Ave., Inglewood 1, Calif. Coins. Dr. Alvin J. DeBre'.
- 33958 **Bernard H. Cole**, Foto-Center, Inc., 6059 Mayfield Road, Mayfield Heights 24, Ohio. U. S. Coins. Dick Krotz.
- 33959 **Daniel Crawford, Jr.**, R.F.D. 1, Box 30 A, St. Augustine Beach, Fla. Proofs, Gold and Comm. J. P. H. DePass.
- 33960 **Albert A. Behnke**, 1105 W. Indianapolis Ave., Fresno 5, Calif. U. S. Coins. William Lee.
- 33961 **James H. Johnson**, 1865 Market St., N.E., Salem, Ore. General. Norman E. Shaw.
- 33962 **Henry C. Bailey, III**, 402 E. Monroe St., Clarksville, Tex. U. S. Gold, Proof. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 33963 **Willis N. Harman**, 310 Grandview Ave., Waynesboro, Penn. Uncir. and Proof. R. E. Stouffer, Chester B. Snively.
- 33964 **C. L. McLean**, 7716 Telean, Houston 17, Tex. General. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 33965 **Ralph M. Magoffin**, 1500 Washington St., Columbia 1, S. Caro. General. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 33966 **Edwin C. Baker**, 1131 Pierce Ave., New York 61, N. Y. World Silver. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 33967 **Thomas J. Robinson**, 2820 W. 41st Ave., Vancouver 13, B. C., Canada. British and Canadian Coins. Robert A. Levy.
- 33968 **Dr. G. Thomas Childes**, 1300 W. Mich. St., Indianapolis 2, Ind. U. S. Coins. John M. Tondra.
- 33969 **Oliver W. Horton**, 501 E. Washington Rd., Washington, Ill. Commemoratives. Mrs. Marjorie Baker, Ben Outle, Orin Imig.
- 33970 **Henry Clayton**, 403 Abington St., Peoria 3, Ill. U. S. General. Mrs. Marjorie Baker, Orin Imig.
- 33971 **M. H. Lee**, P.O. Box 1663, Alexandria, La. Proofs and Rolls. M. H. Rothert.
- 33972 **Earl B. Flint**, 1125 Adason Dr., San Leandro, Calif. U. S. Coins. Wendell J. Hooker.
- 33973 **John J. Mozzicato**, 544th Recon. Tech. Grp., Offutt AFB, Omaha, Nebr. U. S. Coins. Lt. Gerald W. Shields.
- 33974 **John Sandifer**, 915 Park Lane, Corona, Calif. U. S. General. LeRoy E. Myers, S. J. LaPoint, V. L. Arrington.
- 33975 **L. D. Horine, Jr.**, 4211½ Centinella Ave., Los Angeles 66, Calif. U. S. General. Clarence A. Dunbar.
- 33976 **Homer L. Key**, Box 801, Portland, Tex. Coins. Paul Key Lucas.
- 33977 **Forrest A. Bullard**, 635 E. Central Ave., Missoula, Mont. Minor U. S. Coins. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 33978 **Mrs. Seraphinia G. Closterman**, Box 352, Waverly, Mo. Mint and Proof Sets. Douglas Kelling.
- 33979 **Ruben W. Williams**, 359 W. University Ave., Laramie, Wyo. Coins. Paul G. Archer.
- 33980 **Bill Haggerty**, 303 S. Park Dr., Springhill, La. Small U. S. Coins. Lewis M. Reagan.



- 33981 **Frank Martella**, 2127 W. Sixth St., Brooklyn 23, N. Y. U.S. General. Morris Klaif, Vincent A. Nicoletti.
- 33982 **John C. Mroz**, 826 Orange St., Wyandotte, Mich. U.S. Coins. Earl C. Schill, Laurence Falater, George D. Hatie.
- 33983 **W. Boldue**, 2102 Third St., Trenton, Mich. U.S. Coins. Earl C. Schill, George D. Hatie, Laurence Falater, Richard DeBolt.
- 33984 **Joseph P. Garcia**, 64 Graywood Rd., Pt. Washington, N. Y. U.S. Coins. P. Garcia.
- 33985 **Grey Cobb**, Box 146, Meridian, Miss. U.S. Coins. K. B. Kaiser.
- 33986 **Donald E. Coleman, Sr.**, 315 E. Barkdol St., Kokomo, Ind. U.S. Coins. D. W. Karp, L. R. Karp.
- 33987 **Chester Howard**, Box 2432, Greggton, Tex. U.S. Coins. Jack Blalock.
- 33988 **Charles R. Britain**, 1104 Lettie Drive, Longview, Tex. U.S. Coins. Jack Blalock.
- 33989 **J. S. Smith**, 403 Richardson, Longview, Tex. U.S. Coins. Jack Blalock.
- 33990 **James L. Fall**, R.F.D. 3, Longview, Tex. Lincoln Cents. Jack Blalock.
- 33991 **Samuel L. Wade**, P.O. Box 652, Longview, Tex. Cents. Jack Blalock.
- 33992 **Cecil R. Farmer**, 107 S. Sales St., Anamosa, Iowa. Gold Coins. S. G. Klaus.
- 33993 **Irving H. Hill**, 408 Durand St., East Lansing, Mich. U.S. Gold. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 33994 **Lawrence H. Brown**, Belleville, Kans. U.S. and Canadian Coins. John J. Smies, E. Phil Smith.
- 33995 **Virgil J. White**, Belleville, Kans. U.S. General. John J. Smies, E. Phil Smith.
- 33996 **Robert A. Vlack**, 39 Donna St., West Peabody, Mass. Early U.S. Coins. H. H. Rendell, John R. Kelley.
- 33997 **Richard Clyde Warner**, 4219 Faust Ave., Lakewood, Calif. U.S. General. James A. Kinzer, Henry Chambers.
- 33998 **Charles C. Eliff**, Box 888, Agua Dulce, Tex. General. Walter A. Clark.
- 33999 **Dr. Robert E. Yoss**, 1450 Graham Court, Rochester, Minn. U.S. Coins. Harold E. King.
- 34000 **North East Ohio Coin Club**, Marjorie Gold, Secy., 2905 Hampton Rd., Cleveland 20, Ohio. Nate Gold, Marjorie Gold.
- 34001 **Kenneth C. Walker**, P.O. Box 443, Newburyport, Mass. U.S. General. Benjamin Tighe.
- 34002 **Mrs. F. E. Menefee**, 2616 Anita Dr., Garland, Tex. Coins. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 34003 **Mrs. Lucille Stech**, 481 Main St., Belleville, Mich. Coins. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 34004 **James L. Moody**, P.O. Box 16, Harriman, Tenn. U.S. Small Coins. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 34005 **Tillie A. Gerulis**, 38 Providence St., Worcester 4, Mass. U.S. Coins. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 34006 **Judson P. Smith**, 80 Crescent St., Rutland, Vt. General. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 34007 **Donald M. Snider**, FAETUPAC, NAS Whidbey Island, Oak Harbor, Wash. U.S. General. Paul Fouts.
- 34008 **P. L. Money**, c/o Chibougamau Mining & Smelting Co., Box 134, Chibougamau, Que., Canada. Near East, India and Ceylon. Lauren Benson.
- 34009 **Leo Carmisino**, 22121 Whitmore, Oak Park 37, Mich. U.S. General. Earl C. Schill, Laurence Falater.
- 34010 **Charles E. Moon**, 501 W. Broad St., P.O. Box 16, Quakertown, Penn. Coins. Charles W. Eckert.
- 34011 **Ernest Robertson**, 2109 Wenonah St., Wichita Falls, Tex. General. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 34012 **Robert B. Raney**, 35 Circle Dr., Rantoul, Ill. Proof and Unc. Coins. Louis Bell.
- 34013 **Joseph Kotler**, 725 Greenleaf Ave., Glencoe, Ill. U.S. Coins. Jacques Saiken.
- 34014 **Mark McCullough**, 4833 W. 135th Street, Hawthorne, Calif. Coins. Richard P. Goodson.
- 34015 **Dale Brockelbank**, 423 Finley Avenue, Big Rapids, Mich. U.S. Coins. D. W. Karp, L. R. Karp.
- 34016 **Charles B. Morris**, Malapardis Road, Morris Plains, N. J. U.S. Coins and Proofs. Roger A. Hooden.
- 34017 **Dell R. Miller**, 6055 Hereford Drive, Los Angeles 22, Calif. General. Clarence A. Dunbar.
- 34018 **George W. Cabbage**, 15 Bennington Lane, Dearborn 2, Mich. U.S. General. Earl C. Schill, Laurence Falater.
- 34019 **Mrs. George W. Cabbage**, 15 Bennington Lane, Dearborn 2, Mich. U.S. General. Earl C. Schill, Laurence Falater, Associate Member.
- 34020 **Clem Boggan**, 3706 Townes Ave., Memphis 12, Tenn. General. C. B. Herron.
- 34021 **James A. Weis**, R.D. 6, Carlisle, Penn. General. James N. Wagner.
- 34022 **Chan Kwok Chong**, 15, Ground Fl. Seymour Rd., Hong Kong, South China. Gold and Silver Coins. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 34023 **Dennis D. Harris**, 1365 Ray Drive, Corpus Christi, Tex. U.S. General. G. B. Diamond, Walter A. Clark.
- 34024 **J. Lloyd Carney**, 9 Kinghorn Ave., Toronto 9, Ontario, Canada. U.S. and Canadian Coins. Sidney W. Smith.
- 34025 **Dean McCutcheon**, P.O. Box 127, Perryton, Tex. Comm. U.S. Coins. Carlton A. Gates, Karl Brainard, Grace Brainard.
- 34026 **Mrs. Beth D. Geiger**, 1441 N. Mockingbird, Abilene, Tex. U.S. Coins. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 34027 **H. B. Hoagland**, 2111 Miller Ave., Biloxi, Miss. U.S. Coins. Lee Hewitt.
- 34028 **John Fies**, 681 Market St., San Francisco 5, Calif. U.S. Coins. Roy Hill.
- 34029 **Gordon W. Telfer**, 225 E. Pine St., Big Rapids, Mich. U.S. Coins. D. W. Karp, L. A. Karp.
- 34030 **Marvin Zapotoczny**, 11651 Conant, Hamtramck 12, Mich. U.S. Coins. Earl C. Schill, Laurence Falater.
- 34031 **Ernest S. Parker**, Cherokee Drive, Jefferson City, Tenn. Silver Dollars and Proof Sets. D. V. Eaton.
- 34032 **Roy E. Robison**, 2274 Earlmont Road, Berkley, Mich. U.S., Roman and Greek Coins. Earl C. Schill, Laurence Falater.
- 34033 **George E. Hepler**, Box 608, Colfax, Calif. U.S. and Foreign. Lewis M. Reagan.
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1858 LL .....	2.00	4.00	5.75	.....	.....
1859 .....	1.10	2.00	3.25	.....	.....
1860 .....	1.10	.....	3.00	.....	.....
1861 .....	2.85	.....	.....	Extremely Fine \$12.50	.....
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1863 .....	.60	1.10	1.50	.....	.....
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1872 .....	12.50	.....	30.00	.....	.....
1873 .....	3.00	.....	5.50	.....	.....
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1880 .....	.60	.....	.....	.....	.....
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1885 .....	2.00	.....	.....	\$16.00	.....
1886 .....	.85	2.25	.....	.....	.....
1887 .....	.25	.....	.....	6.50	.....
1888 .....	.25	.75	1.50	5.50	.....

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	Good	Very Good	Fine	Very Fine	Proof
1864 .....	.60	1.50	2.25	3.25	.....
1865 .....	.60	1.25	2.25	.....	.....
1866 .....	1.10	.....	3.75	4.75	.....
1867 .....	1.00	2.00	3.50	4.50	.....
1868 .....	1.00	1.75	3.50	.....	.....
1869 .....	1.50	2.25	4.50	.....	.....
1871 .....	3.50	5.00	.....	.....	.....
1872 .....	16.00	.....	.....	.....	.....

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1865 .....	.60	.90	1.25	.....
1866 .....	.60	.90	1.25	.....
1867 .....	.75	1.00	1.50	.....
1868 .....	.75	1.00	1.50	.....
1869 .....	1.10	1.50	2.00	.....
1870 .....	1.10	1.50	2.00	.....
1871 .....	1.50	2.25	3.25	\$20.00
1872 .....	1.50	2.25	3.25	.....
1873 .....	1.00	1.40	1.75	.....
1874 .....	1.75	2.50	4.25	.....
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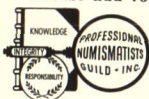
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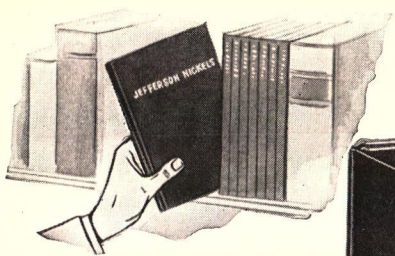
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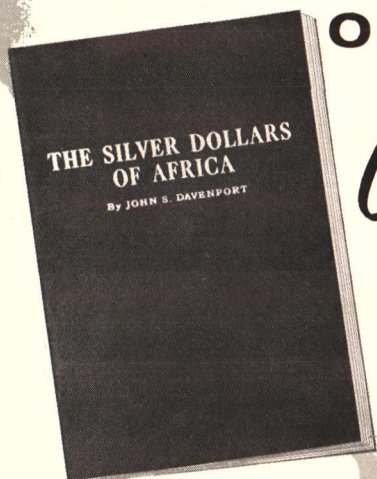
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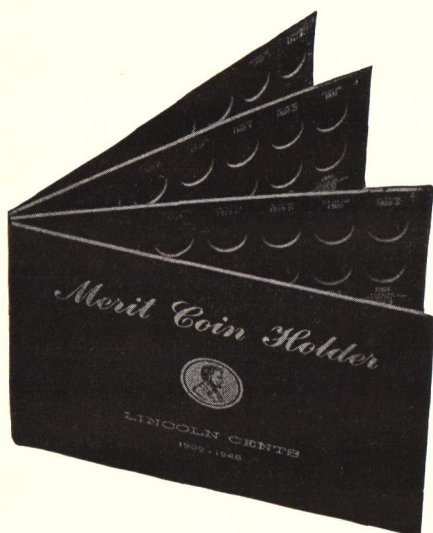
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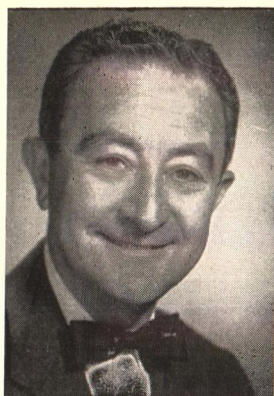
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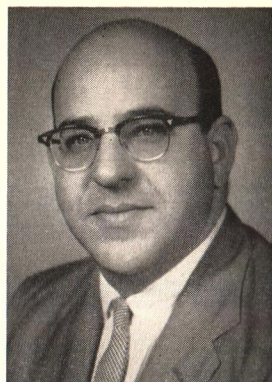
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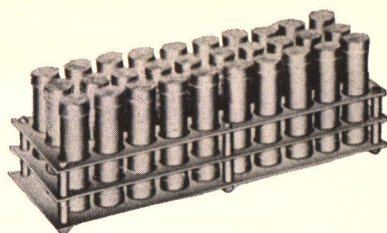
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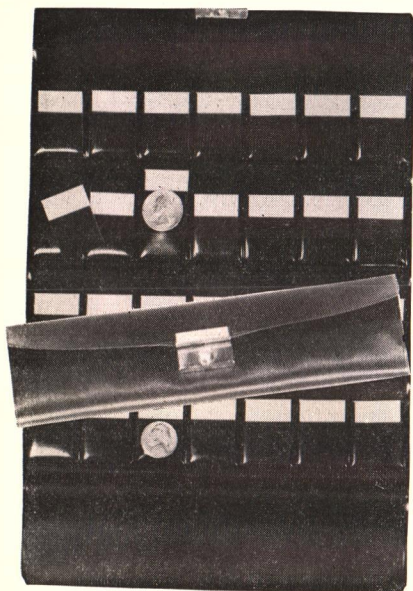
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Not much to report this month. The other day while talking to someone in the Bureau of the Mint at the Treasury Dept., he mentioned the tremendous amount of mail that they receive, which makes them wonder what manner of people we have coming into the coin collecting field. Am repeating some of the excerpts from some of the letters. "Where can I get rolls of unc. 1916-D dimes — you must have them in your vaults, otherwise where do the persons get them that advertise them for sale — or else "We know that you have a few bags of 1895 unc. dollars left, when are you going to turn them loose — or if I can't get you to ship me 500 rolls of P mint cents will turn the matter over to my lawyer." These letters are mild. Many are obscene and vicious. Most of the mail is opened by women — how would you like to have your mother, daughter or sister read this type of mail. I know I wouldn't. The same ones that complain that the Treasury or mint official are in cahoots with outsiders, are the same ones that want 100 rolls of this or 200 rolls of that. I suggested to them that they throw all that type of mail in the waste basket, or if they are obscene or vicious turn them over to the Post Office Dept. for prosecution. Sorry that I had to write a letter like this, but under the circumstances I believe it was necessary. This only applies to a very small segment of our hobby, and mostly those that have entered the field in the past 5 years. A word to the wise, "Straighten out and fly right." I am doing this on my own — no one suggested or knows until it will appear that this letter is being written.

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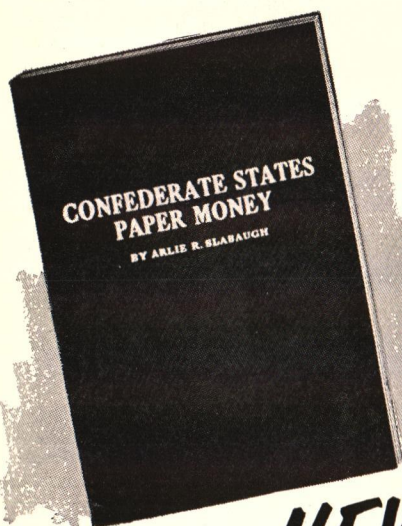
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1867S Unc. ....\$60  
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1898S Unc. ....\$50  
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1900S VF \$10, EF \$20  
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1909-O VG .....\$10  
1909S EF .....\$10  
1910D Unc. ....\$10  
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1912S VF nick...\$10  
14S VF \$30, EF \$50  
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1917D I Unc. ....\$20  
1917S I full H, U \$25  
1917S I Unc. ....\$20  
1917D II Unc. ...\$30  
1917S II VF ....\$10  
1918 EF \$15, AU \$20  
1918S VF \$8, EF \$10  
1918S AU \$15, U \$25  
1919 EF \$10, Unc \$25  
1919D BU .....\$50  
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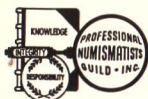
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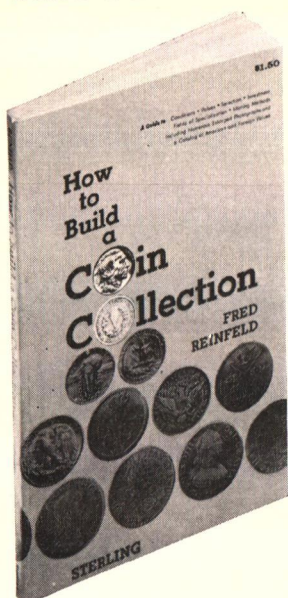
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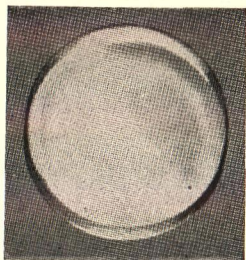
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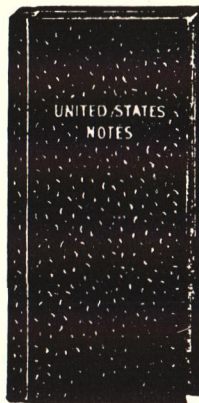
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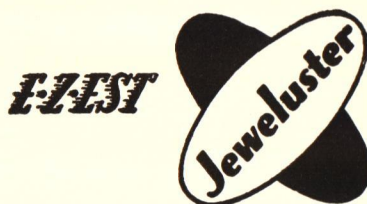
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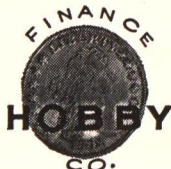
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